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**Annual Report** 



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March 1, 2015

The Honorable Gina M. Raimondo Governor State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations State House 82 Smith Street Providence, RI 02903

Dear Governor Raimondo:

I am pleased to provide you with the 2014 Rhode Island State Police Annual Report, my fourth since being named Superintendent.

The Division continues its efforts to vigilantly pursue motorists who drive while under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs. Based on mapping of fatal and serious crashes, fatal crashes have been reduced statewide in 2014 by 18 percent.

The State Police Community Outreach Program, "New Beginnings," continues to make a positive impact in our state's diverse communities. The program includes outreach, education, leadership training, police recruiting, and connectivity into the communities. The Division has also assigned more than thirty members to assist cities and towns as well as other state agencies. We held our third "Citizens Trooper Academy," where government and community leaders, members of the judiciary, prosecutors, and others learned about the Rhode Island State Police and participated in simulated firearms training, car stops, response to driving while intoxicated crashes, death notification, and other situations troopers face on a day-to-day basis. This program has been highly successful in building relationships in the community.

Forfeiture funds from the Google Settlement have provided much needed enhancements to the Division's fleet and key criminal justice improvements, including tasers, long guns, and a Mobile Crime Scene Unit. Plans are also underway to build new Hope Valley and Wickford Barracks and make extensive renovations to the Lincoln Woods Barracks as well as the former Headquarters building and the Supply and Intelligence Buildings.

On behalf of the men and women of the Rhode Island State Police, I thank you for your support and look forward to working with you as we strive to continue providing the best law enforcement services for the citizens and visitors of our state.

Sincerely,

Steven G. O'Donnell

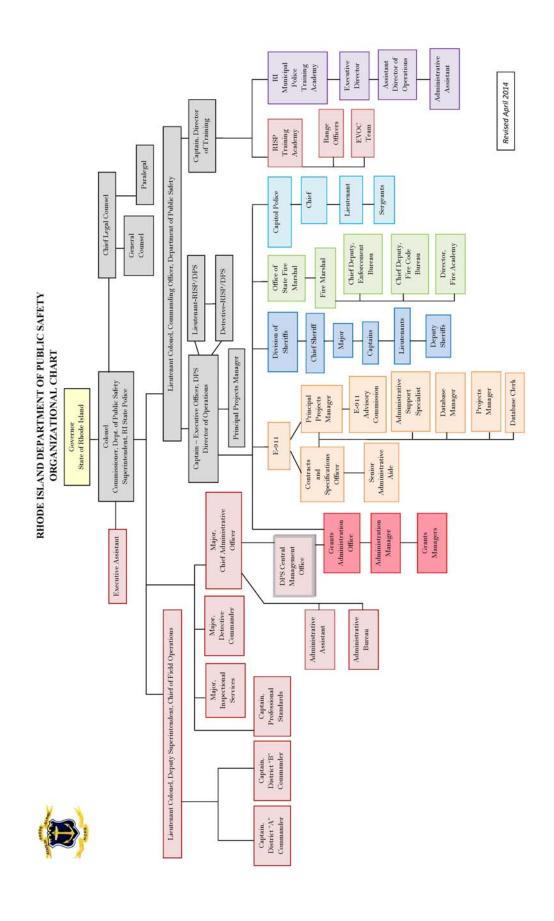
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RHODE ISLAND STATE POLICE ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

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### Rhode Island State Police



# MISSION STATEMENT

The Rhode Island State Police is a full service, statewide law enforcement agency whose mission is to fulfill the law enforcement needs of the people with the highest degree of fairness, professionalism, integrity, and protect the inherent rights of the people to live their lives in freedom and safety. To this end, Division employees shall perform their respective patrol, investigative and support functions to the best of their ability, and cooperate with other State agencies, as well as with local and Federal authorities.

# **DIVISION CREED**

"You are always to remember that you are in the Rhode Island State Police and In the Service of the State.

It is a call of honor. It requires unselfish devotion to duty, the highest type of honesty and downright courage."

# **SUPERINTENDENT**COLONEL STEVEN G. O'DONNELL

# Executive Assistant: Ms. Barbara Laird

Colonel Steven G. O'Donnell is the twelfth Superintendent of the Rhode Island State Police and was sworn in on May 9, 2011. He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from the University of New Haven and a Master of Science Degree in Administration of Justice from Salve Regina University. He is also a graduate of the 211<sup>th</sup> Session of the FBI National Academy and the FBI National Executive Institute in Quantico, Virginia. Colonel O'Donnell attended CIA threat assessment, the Army War College School and two week Command College at University of Massachusetts Lowell.

As Superintendent of the Rhode Island State Police, Colonel O'Donnell serves as the commanding officer of the Division and is accountable for staffing the Patrol, Detective, Administrative, and Public Safety Bureaus, to include the State and Municipal Police Training Academies. The mission of Patrol and Detective Bureaus is to promote highway safety, maintenance of order, prevention and detection of crime and the apprehension of violators. The Superintendent is also responsible for ensuring the control of traffic, maintaining safety enforcement on the State's highways and the development and enforcement of all policies and regulations for the Division. The Superintendent must ensure structure, discipline, efficiency and morale within the Division, along with establishing goals, direction, and priorities.

The Superintendent also serves as Commissioner of the Rhode Island Department of Public Safety. The agencies that are under the Department are: E-911 Public Safety Answering Point, State Fire Marshals' Office, the Public Safety Grants Administration Office, the Rhode Island Municipal Police Training Academy, the State Sheriffs' Department, the Rhode Island Capitol Police, the Legal Office, and the Central Management Office.

During the past year, the Superintendent served on the following: The Grants Administration Office Policy Board and Criminal Justice Steering Committee; the Rhode Island Crime Lab Commission; the Rhode Island Medical Examiner's Commission; the Criminal Justice Oversight Committee; the International Association of Chiefs of Police/State and Provincial Division, New England State Police Administrators Conference (Chair); New England State Police Information Network Board of Directors (Chair); Rhode Island Police Chiefs' Association, High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Executive Board, the Police Officers' Commission on Standards and Training, Joint Behavioral Health and Firearms Safety Task Force to Review and Make Recommendations for Statutes Relating to Firearms and Behavioral Health Issues, Rhode Island Mothers Against Drunk Driving (Chair), Board of the Institute for the Study and Practice of Non-Violence, Legislative Commission to Undertake a Comprehensive Study of Sex Offender Registration and Notification Legislation in the State of Rhode Island, Biased Based Policing Committee, Racial Profiling Committee, Senate Committee on Custodial Interrogations, and the Providence Police Advisory Board.

During 2014 the Division provided personnel to assist other state and municipal agencies Members are assigned to the Division of Sheriffs, the Rhode Island Municipal Police Training Academy, and the Rhode Island State Fire Marshal's Office. A Sergeant and Trooper are assigned to T.F. Green Airport, and the Operations Officer is located at the Command Readiness Center of the EMA. Troopers were also assigned to Block Island all summer, on permanent duty status, to augment the law enforcement presence.

Troopers were assigned to different details throughout the 4th of July holiday weekend, including Block Island and the Bristol Parade. The Division utilized the motorcycle patrols, Fusion Center, Tactical Team, Intelligence Unit, uniform patrols, explosive detection canines, and Command The Division worked with the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority, the Department of Environmental Management, and the local police departments to increase patrols at state beaches and state parks. Troopers patrolled the beaches on air quality alert days, when more visitors were at the beaches. There was also a trooper assigned to Colt State Park to coordinate with the Bristol Police Department on summer weekends to help prevent gang violence. Throughout the spring and summer, Troopers were assigned to the Jazz and Folk Festivals in Newport, the Rhode Island National Guard Open House and Air Show, the Blessing of the Fleet Road Race, the Four Bridges Bicycle Race, and the Defense Innovation Days. There are Detectives assigned to the ACI, the FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force, the FBI Safe Streets Task Force, the Food and Drug Administration, the Drug Enforcement Administration, and members assigned to the Department Public Safety team. including a Lieutenant assigned as the Director and three other troopers to the Rhode Island Municipal Police Training Academy. The Marine Unit teamed up with the U.S. Coast Guard, the Department of Environmental Management, and local harbormasters to patrol Narragansett Bay to promote marine safety, handle calls for service, and enforcement of "boating while intoxicated" laws. The Marine Unit also patrolled Block Island, Galilee, and Johnson's Pond during peak summer weekends. Troopers conducted vessel safety inspections and practiced zero tolerance for those drinking alcohol while operating a vessel.

Two members, a Corporal and a Trooper, have been deployed to the Town of Exeter to support a dedicated Community Policing Program. They will provide traffic enforcement, patrol the town, and concentrate on quality-of-life issues, including crime prevention.

The "Neighborhood Response Team" was deployed in Providence, North Providence and Central Falls. The teams patrolled during weekend nights and have been highly effective in reducing violent crime in these municipalities.

The Division is collaborating with the Department of Health, and Behavioral Healthcare and Developmental Disabilities to respond to the epidemic of drug overdose deaths in the State. The Division worked with the Rhode Island Disaster Medical Assistance Team (DMAT) to provide Naloxone kits to troopers. DMAT procured the Naloxone, assembled the kits, and provided training for troopers on the administration of Naloxone. In May, Trooper James D'Angelo and Hopkinton Patrolman Jason Eastwood utilized Naloxone on a 27-year-old Richmond man, whose overdose of oxycodone was extremely severe. When rescue personnel arrived, they advised that the Naloxone that Trooper D'Angelo administered was enough to keep the victim from going into full respiratory failure. We are grateful to RI DMAT for coordinating the bulk purchase of Naloxone, assembling the kits, and providing training for our troopers.

The Division's Dive Team took delivery of a new dive truck. This vehicle was purchased with Homeland Security/Port Security grant funding. The Criminal Identification Unit has a new Mobile Crime Laboratory. They have also obtained a Leica 3-D Scan Station, which provides a 3-D visual representation of a scene with millions of measurement points. These two items were purchased with Google Settlement Funds.

During 2014, the following members retired: Lieutenant Colonel Michael J. Winquist; Captain Brian K. Casilli; Captain Ernest C. Quarry, Jr.; Captain Frank B. Castellone; Lieutenant John P. Flaherty, III; Lieutenant Arnold S. Buxton, Jr.; Lieutenant Michael J. Gill; and Trooper Sean A. McCarthy. Chief Legal Counsel, Ms. Lisa S. Holley, left her position to accept a position at the Rhode Island Department of Administration. We thank them for their many years of dedicated service. We also welcomed the following new staff member: Ms. Jesse Macera, Telecommunicator/NCIC.

The Division's Detective Bureau continues its mission of providing excellent investigative services and responds to ever-increasing requests for its expertise. Several high-profile investigations included 38 Studios, the Central Coventry Fire District, "Operation Get Shorty," and "Operation Check-Mate." The Gaming Enforcement Unit have made significant arrests as a result of individuals violating the state's gaming laws. A new unit, the Undercover and Special Operations Unit, has the administrative function of ensuring best practices and safety for undercover officers.

The Division utilizes social media, including Facebook and Twitter accounts. At this writing, the Division has more than 11,000 "likes" on Facebook. This has proven to be an invaluable tool to get important information out to the public quickly, especially during adverse weather conditions. Other postings have included AMBER Alert messages and press releases. A popular posting has been "ThrowBack Thursday," where a photograph from the State Police archives is published. Ms. Allison O'Connor is managing the Division's social media accounts and websites.

During peak holiday periods, the Uniformed Bureau participated in regional and national traffic enforcement campaigns, including Operation "C.A.R.E.," "Child Passenger Safety Week," "Click-It or Ticket," "You Drink, You Drive, You Lose," "Operation A.B.C.," National Holiday Lifesaver Weekend, "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over," "Buckle Up America," and the IACP's "Zero Highway Deaths" campaign. In April, the Division participated in a press conference with the Department of Transportation regarding the "Move Over" law. This coincided with "Work Zone Safety Week." The Division continues aggressive patrols against impaired drivers, and troopers' enforcement activity on the road has been extremely productive. In 2013, there were 66 fatal crashes statewide. In 2014, there were 54 fatal crashes. The 2014 data is still preliminary, but this is a reduction of 18 percent in fatal accidents. Our enforcement efforts are working, and troopers are making a difference on our roadways.

From June 3<sup>rd</sup>—5<sup>th</sup>, the State Police Commercial Enforcement Unit and municipal police departments participated in Roadcheck 2014, which checks commercial motor vehicles for safety and compliance with law. During Roadcheck, 386 vehicles were inspected, 67 were placed out of service, 18 drivers were placed out of service, 820 vehicle violations were issued, and one arrest was made. In October, the American Transportation Research Institute released its national study, "Evaluation and Impact of Commercial Motor Vehicle Enforcement Disparities on Carrier Safety Performance." Rhode Island was ranked fourth overall in commercial motor vehicle enforcement and safety performance.

Google Settlement funds were disbursed in 2013 and 2014 to replace the aging Rhode Island State Police fleet, purchase tasers and long guns, and provide training. Plans are underway to build a new Wickford Barracks and Hope Valley Barracks. Extensive renovations are also planned for the Lincoln Woods Barracks. The Division is also exploring the possibility of building a consolidated police training facility. In addition, renovations are well underway for the Supply and Intelligence Buildings at Headquarters, and once completed, we will renovate the White House and move the Scituate Barracks troopers into that facility. Google funds were also used to pay for advertising costs for the State Police Training Academy class, which is projected to begin in February 2016. In addition, Google funds were use used for laptops, portable radios, including accessories and supplies:

- Batons
- Baton holders
- Flash lights
- Gun Safes

- Hand Cuffs
- Riot batons
- Riot helmets
- Body armor
- Tear gas spray
- Weapons
- Magazines
- Parts kits

The Division worked with several state agencies during severe snow storms in February 2014. Members of the State Police, National Guard, Department of Transportation, and National Grid formed a "strike force," and were deployed to problem areas. This plan worked well by deploying assets to hardest hit areas quickly. Members of the State Police, National Guard, Rhode Island Emergency Management Agency, Rhode Island Department of Transportation, and National Grid continue to meet quarterly to review response to previous storms and find solutions to improve response to future storm emergencies.

In an effort to curb impaired driving, the State Police continues to partner with Mothers Against Drunk Driving and local police on drunk and impaired driving enforcement with a particular focus on holiday periods. The Division participated in the MADD-RI Red Ribbon Holiday Awareness Event, "Teen Spirit Weekend," "Mocktail Party," and "Strike Out Drunk Driving." In December the Division participated in MADD's annual candlelight vigil. The State Police continues its efforts to remove impaired drivers from the state's roadways. Some individuals arrested have had very high bloodalcohol concentrations of two to three times the legal limit. There have been several arrests where drivers were driving the wrong way on the highway, and some drivers have had young children in their vehicles. The Division will continue to aggressively pursue and arrest those individuals, whose irresponsible actions put innocent motorists at risk.

The Community Outreach Program, "New Beginnings," was very active during 2014. Leadership Training Programs were held with area high school students. Troopers spoke with several Boy Scout troops about leadership. Several Community Outreach Forums were held, and members participated in basketball games sponsored by "Project Night Vision" and "Basketball 2 Build Bridges." The State Police also continues to team up with the Attorney General's Office on the "Texting: It Can Wait" campaign at area high schools. Over 20,000 Rhode Island students have taken the pledge to never text and drive. Community Outreach Programs include: 7th Annual "Kids, Cops & Christmas", "Stuff a Cruiser" for Thanksgiving, Cumberland American Little League Team, 13th Anniversary of September 11th Ceremony, 2014 Lifesaver Awards, 6th Annual "Kids, Cops & Classrooms", "Cops for Kids with Cancer" Check Presentation, 1st Annual Walk for Wellness, Annual RISP Memorial Ceremony, Meeting with African Alliance of Rhode Island, 31st Annual Aquidneck Island National Police Parade, Narcan Deployment Press Conference, Cops for Kids with Cancer, and International Women's Day Recognition.

In January, Captain Kevin M. Barry was assigned as Acting Chief of Police for the Cranston Police Department at the request of Mayor Allan W. Fung. Both he, and Lieutenant Matthew C. Moynihan, ran the day-to-day operations of the Cranston Police Department. After completing their assignment, Captain Barry and Lieutenant Moynihan were charged with writing an assessment of the department, which will be completed in March 2015. Their assignment lasted ten months, until a new Chief of Police was named in October. Three additional detectives were assigned to the Cranston Police Department related to a professional standards investigation as well as allegations of criminal activity. They did an outstanding job managing the Department during a difficult time.

In March, 36 members of the Rhode Island State Police Training Academy Class of 2013 completed their Field Training Officer Program and began patrolling on their own. We welcome them to the ranks of the Rhode Island State Police and wish them the very best throughout their career.

In March, a Promotion and Awards Ceremony was held at Rhode Island College. Thirty-two sworn members were recognized for their promotions. The Tactical Team and Canine Unit received Unit Citations, and one trooper and two citizens received the Lifesaver Award.

During Police Memorial Week in May, the State Police held its annual Memorial Ceremony. Following the ceremony, everyone enjoyed a barbeque provided through the generosity of Museum supporters Walter and Wanda McLaughlin. The retirees also held a meeting in the Colonel Stone Conference Room after lunch, and they were briefed on the current status and future build-out of the Rhode Island State Police. Both currently serving and retired troopers, dignitaries, family, and friends attended the ceremony and barbeque, and had an opportunity to visit with old friends and colleagues. The event was sponsored by the Rhode Island State Police Museum Foundation.

On August 1<sup>st</sup>, a commendation ceremony was held at Headquarters to recognize thirty-five troopers, eight federal agents, eleven municipal police officers, two members of the Rhode Island National Guard, and one civilian with one Special Commendation, sixteen Written Commendations, one Unit Citation, and one Lifesaver Award. We congratulate each of them for their dedication and commitment to excellence.

In August the Division was assessed by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies using the "Gold Standard Assessment Model." This voluntary assessment format focuses primarily on processes and outcomes associated with standards specific to agency policies. This measures the impact of accreditation as opposed to confirming compliance of CALEA standards through a file-by-file review. In November, at the CALEA conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico the Division was awarded "Accreditation with Excellence." This was the seventh consecutive successful accreditation and the Division's third consecutive award of "Accreditation with Excellence." Only a small percentage of police departments receive this prestigious award. One of the CALEA standards requires that the Division send out a Quality Assurance Survey every three years. The survey measures interaction with the public in three areas: Incidents, Motor Vehicle Accidents, and Citations. The results of the most current survey showed a combined 92 percent average rate of satisfaction in all three areas of service. Members of the Rhode Island State Police, who attended the CALEA Conference, included Colonel Steven G. O'Donnell, Major James M. Manni, and Troopers Amanda L. Brezniak, William C. Corson, and Jonathan M. Elliott. Colonel O'Donnell, Ms. Martha J. Sheridan and Ms. Cynthia Lathrop, of the Providence Warwick Convention and Visitors' Bureau, made a presentation to CALEA to bring their conference to Rhode Island in 2017. Our efforts were successful, and this will have a good economic impact on the region. The Rhode Island State Police will be hosting the hundreds of law enforcement professionals, who will be attending the conference. Planning will begin soon in conjunction with the Providence-Warwick Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Members of the State Police participated in several parades throughout the year including: The Newport St. Patrick's Day Parade, where sixty-six troopers marched, and the Bristol 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade. At this year's Aquidneck Island National Police Parade, the Division again won the award for "largest contingent," with fifty-one troopers participating. A majority of the members were on a leave day and volunteered to march in these parades.

Members of the Division also participated in several charitable events during the year to benefit Special Olympics, "Books or Bust," a blood drive for the Rhode Island Blood Center, State Employees Charitable Appeal, Bobby Doyle Summer Classic Five-Mile Road Race, BoldrDash Race, the Troopers Association 5K Foot Pursuit, the American Heart Association Walk, Ocean State Job Lot's "Three Square Meals" program, "The Kids Cancer Buzz Off" for Hasbro Children's Hospital, and many Troopers visited schools and read to children during "Reading Week" in April.

On April 4<sup>th</sup>, the State Police and the Rhode Island Troopers Association held a press conference with Lieutenant William Coulter, of the Massachusetts State Police, and Chief Robert Faherty, former Superintendent-in-Chief of the Boston Police Department. The troopers, who ran in the 118<sup>th</sup> Boston Marathon, raised over \$12,000 for the charity, "Cops for Kids with Cancer." Members of the Troopers Association presented the check to the organization at the press conference.

Members received numerous awards for their outstanding work. The Superintendent received the "Friend of Corrections" Award. In a ceremony in November, Colonel Everitte St. John Chaffee, the first Superintendent, was inducted into the Rhode Island Heritage Hall of Fame. Also in November, four uniformed troopers were recognized by AAA-Southern New England with "Highway Safety Hero Awards. In December, the Superintendent received a "Community Service Award" from the Board of Trustees of Winn Residential, which operates Wiggins Village.

In August, the State Police once again partnered with the Rhode Island Police Chiefs' Association, the Attorney General's Office, the U.S. Attorney's Office, the Rhode Island Troopers Association, the DPS agencies, and the Governor's Office, for the sixth annual "Kids, Cops, and Classrooms," an initiative that provides backpacks and school supplies for children and teens. This year, more than 2,000 backpacks filled with school supplies were distributed. This was the largest donation ever. In December, the seventh annual "Kids, Cops, & Christmas" event was held. This year's event included "Fill the Cruiser" at Ocean State Job Lot. The goal for Christmas was "1,000 Gifts for 1,000 Children," which was far surpassed as a result of the participation of law enforcement and our corporate sponsors. Again, this year was the largest donation ever, with more than 2,500 gifts donated. Both events benefit children, who are clients of Crossroads Rhode Island, A Children's Friend, the Hispanic Ministerial Alliance, the Mount Hope Community Center, Center for Southeast Asians, Project "Night Vision," Family Service of Rhode Island, the Multi-Service Center for All, the African Alliance, and the Chad Brown Alumni Association. Following both events, troopers and police officers delivered the school supplies and Christmas gifts in person, so they would have an opportunity to interact directly with the children and their families. We are fortunate to have several Rhode Island corporate sponsors supporting these projects, including: Ocean State Job Lot, Benny's, CVS Health, Walgreen's, Cardi's Furniture, and other donors who wished to remain anonymous. We thank them for their outstanding support of our state's youth. This year an unprecedented number of backpacks, school supplies, and gifts were donated. This initiative is very helpful in connecting troopers and police officers with our community partners. Just prior to Thanksgiving, a "Fill the Cruiser" event was held at two area Stop & Shop locations. The food collected was distributed to our community outreach partners for their clients.

Troopers continued to be actively involved in Special Olympics. In May, troopers presented medals at the Special Olympics Summer Games at the University of Rhode Island. In September the Troopers Association sponsored the "Sporting Clays Fun Shoot and Steak Fry."

On September 27<sup>th</sup>, all State Police barracks served as collection points for Rhode Islanders to drop off unwanted prescriptions. This program was held in conjunction with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration. CVS Health awarded the State Police a grant to install permanent drug collection boxes in the three barracks and at Headquarters.

On October 1<sup>st,</sup> the State Police hosted the Cumberland-American Little League Team. Members of the team, their coaches, and parents attended a ceremony at Headquarters. Colonel O'Donnell spoke and gave each team member and coach a Certificate of Appreciation. The team, coaches, and parents all received State Police pins.

In the fall, the third "Rhode Island State Police Citizens' Trooper Academy" was held. This sixweek program was developed for government and civic leaders and members of the media to give them a hands-on, real-time experience of what troopers face on a day-to-day basis. The 43 attendees participated in FATS Training, car stops, response to DWI crashes and death notification, legal issues, officer safety, and biased-based policing. The program was very well received by the attendees, which included members of the judiciary; the media; community leaders, including our community outreach partners; prosecutors; and public defenders.

During the fall, the State Police worked with the Department of Health, the Emergency Management Agency, and federal agencies on communicable disease preparation in response to the Ebola epidemic in West Africa.

The upcoming year will present new challenges for the Rhode Island State Police. In 2014, several statutorily mandated retirements took effect. These men and women had hundreds of years of law enforcement experience. Mandatory retirements for the Classes of 1990 and 1992 will be upcoming over the next two years.

We will be dealing with important legislative issues. We continue to work with the Governor's staff to amend and/or strengthen laws that effect public safety, including drunk driving and motor vehicle stops.

Google Settlement funds and capital funds will be utilized to build new barracks for Hope Valley and Wickford, and cover much-needed renovations at the Lincoln Woods Barracks, the White House, and the Supply and Intelligence Buildings at Headquarters. The men and women of the Rhode Island State Police are committed to continue providing quality law enforcement services that our citizens have come to expect from their Rhode Island State Police.

### PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS UNIT

CAPTAIN BENJAMIN M. BARNEY

The Professional Standards Unit is under the command of Captain Benjamin Barney a twenty-four (24) year veteran of the Rhode Island State Police. His previous assignments include having served at all of the Division's barracks, as a member of the Narcotics Unit, and as Officer-in-Charge of the Adult Correctional Institution's State Police Investigative Unit. He most recently served as the Assistant Detective Commander. Prior to his transfer into the Division's Detective Bureau in 1998, he served as a member of the State Police Tactical Team, was a Field Training Officer and a Domestic Violence Investigations Instructor. Captain Barney served in the United States Coast Guard from 1984 to 1989 and holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from Roger Williams University.

The Professional Standards Unit is responsible for the investigation of all complaints and allegations made against sworn and civilian members of the Division of State Police. The Unit strives to ensure that the integrity of the Division remains intact. Each investigation is conducted objectively, thoroughly, and without bias. A comprehensive investigation will end with one of three determined classifications: founded, unfounded, or unsubstantiated. Founded complaints result in disciplinary sanctions or corrective actions in compliance with General Order -3C, titled, "Internal Investigation Procedure / Policy."

The Professional Standards Unit investigated a total of forty-eight (48) complaints between January and December of 2014. Twenty-five (25) cases were determined to be unfounded or unsubstantiated, twenty (20) cases were determined to be founded and required corrective action or disciplinary sanctions, and two (2) cases are pending. \*One (1) investigation was conducted for a municipal police department, at the Mayor's request.

In 2014, the Rhode Island State Police interacted with the public on seventy-one thousand and eighty-six (71,086) occasions through traffic collision investigations, incidents, arrests, and citations, yet the Professional Standards Unit only received twenty-nine (29) complaints against personnel from both external and internal sources.

#### Summary of Professional Standards Unit Investigations for Calendar-Year 2014

Туре	Number of Complaints	Unfounded - Unsubstantiated	Discipline/Founded	Pending
Unprofessional Behavior (Sworn)	17	11	6	0
Job Performance (Sworn)	9	4	5	0
Racial Profiling (Sworn)	0	0	0	0
Job Performance (Civilian)	2	1	1	0
Miscellaneous (Sworn and Civilian) *	1	0	0	0
Total	291	16	12	0

<sup>\*</sup>Findings for an investigation conducted at the request of a municipal police department would be founded or unfounded at the discretion of that department's Chief.

#### Summary of Professional Standards Unit Investigations for Calendar-Year 2013

Туре	Number of Complaints	Unfounded - Unsubstantiated	Discipline/Founded	Pending
Unprofessional Behavior (Sworn)	24	14	9	0
Job Performance (Sworn)	21	10	10	0
Racial Profiling (Sworn)	0	0	0	0
Job Performance (Civilian)	2	1	1	0
Miscellaneous (Sworn and Civilian)	1	N/A	N/A	0
Total	48	27	20	0

#### Summary of Use of Force Incidents for Calendar-Year 2014

Туре	Proper Use - Justified	Discipline	Total
Discharge of Firearm	1	0	1
Discharge of Firearm	8	0	8
(To dispatch injured/dangerous animal)			
Use of Force/Physical	18	1	19
Use of Force/Capstun	0	0	0
Use of Force/Cas 21	0	0	0
Use of Division Canine	0	0	0
Use of Other Implement/Upholstered Weapon	5	0	5
Medical Assistance	0	0	0
Use of Electronic Control Device (Taser)	10	0	10
Total	42	1	43

# Summary of Use of Force Incidents for Calendar-Year 2013

Туре	Proper Use - Justified	Discipline	Total
Discharge of Firearm	0	0	0
Discharge of Firearm	9	0	9
(To dispatch injured/dangerous animal)			
Use of Force/Physical	30	0	30
Use of Force/Capstun	2	0	2
Use of Force/Cas 21	0	0	0
Use of Division Canine	1	0	1
Use of Other Implement	3	0	3
Medical Assistance	1	0	1
Use of Electronic Control Device (Taser)	3	0	3
Total	49	0	49

#### Comparison of Previous Years\*

ТҮРЕ	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
Physical Struggle	18	30	44	18	17	13	18	22	20	22
Physical w/ Cap-Stun	0	2	0	1	3	6	1	7	8	4
Physical w/CASBaton/other implement	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	1	5	1
Use of Taser	9	3	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
Use of Canine	0	1	1	0	3	6	0	2	2	2
Discharge of Firearm	1*	0*	1*	6**	7**	8**	7**	14**	10**	20**
Un-holstered firearm	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	33	36	48	30	31	31	27	46	45	48

# INSPECTIONAL SERVICES UNIT

MAJOR JAMES M. MANNI

The Major James M. Manni is a twenty-four (24) year veteran of the Division and is responsible for evaluating the operation of the Division through periodic inspections of facilities, vehicles, equipment, records, personnel and investigative procedures. The Inspectional Services Unit is charged with reviewing current Division-wide operations, practices, policies and procedures against mandatory and non-mandatory CALEA, (Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies) and RIPAC (Rhode Island Police Accreditation Commission) standards. This review ensures that any identified deficiencies are addressed accordingly to satisfy the standard and to make certain the Division continues to operate efficiently, maintaining its prestigious accredited status.

In November of 2014, the Division was formally re-accredited by CALEA. The Division not only was successfully re-accredited, but once again earned the prestigious distinction of "Accreditation with Excellence Award", formally referred to as a Flagship Agency, for its sixth consecutive re-accreditation recognition. For this most recent accreditation on-site inspection, CALEA implemented its "Gold Standard Assessment", which is the strictest accreditation assessment method offered by CALEA. This accomplishment instills a great sense of pride for Division Members and the Rhode Island citizens we serve.

Since 2000, the Inspectional Services Unit has continued to maintain a Quality Assurance Program. Surveys are mailed to persons who have dealt with the Division in reference to complaint investigations (both uniform and detective), accident investigations, as well as, the enforcement of vehicle and traffic laws. As has been the case with every annual survey, the Division continues to maintain a 90% or better level of satisfaction for its services to Rhode Island residents. This is a level of professionalism for which all Rhode Islanders can be proud.

Major Manni also serves as the Division's Legislative Liaison and Community Outreach Liaison where he works with such organizations as Project Night Vision, Hispanic Ministerial Association of Rhode Island, The Center for Southeast Asians, Multi-Service Center For All, Crossroads Rhode Island, Family Service of Rhode Island, Mount Hope Neighborhood Association, The African Alliance, The Chad Brown Alumni Association and many others to foster relationships and ties to the communities we serve.

The year 2014 was a very productive and fulfilling year for the Division in the area of Community Outreach, with over eighty (80) events attended. In September 2014, over 1,400 backpacks filled with school supplies were collected and distributed by Troopers to inner city youths through the annual "Kids, Cops and Classrooms" event. In December 2014, over 2,500 toys and \$7,500 in gift cards/cash was collected and distributed by Troopers to needy children through the annual "Kids, Cops and Christmas" event. Additionally, for the first time this past Thanksgiving, Troopers participated in the "Stuff a Cruiser" food collection event where nearly 1,000 pounds of food was collected and distributed to needy families. Division members also continued participating in the "Texting, It Can Wait" presentation with the Rhode Island Attorney General to over 50 high schools and 20,000 students to date.

# DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT/ CHIEF OF FIELD OPERATIONS

LIEUTENANT COLONEL TODD E. CATLOW

Lieutenant Colonel Todd E. Catlow, a twenty-two (22) year veteran of the Rhode Island State Police, is the Deputy Superintendent and Chief of Field Operations, and second in command of the Rhode Island State Police. Lieutenant Colonel Catlow holds a Master of Science Degree in Taxation, a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration, and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from Bryant University. Lieutenant Colonel Catlow is a Certified Public Accountant and a Certified Fraud Examiner.

Prior to being promoted to Deputy Superintendent, Lieutenant Colonel Catlow served as the Detective Commander holding the rank of Major. Lieutenant Colonel Catlow served in all of the State Police Patrol Barracks and in the Detective Bureau for thirteen (13) years in various capacities, including the Division's Officer-in-Charge of the Financial Crimes Unit and Computer Crimes Unit.

As Deputy Superintendent, Lieutenant Colonel Catlow is directly responsible for the Patrol Bureau, as well as the Intelligence Unit, Fusion Center and the Governor's Security Detail. Additionally, he has supervisory responsibility for the specialized units within these branches, to include: the Commercial Enforcement Unit, Rhode Island Airport Corporation Police Liaison Officer, the Division's T.F. Green Airport Office, Marine Unit, Collision Reconstruction Unit, Canine Team, Tactical Team, Honor Guard Team, Crisis Negotiation Team, and Motorcycle Team. The Deputy Superintendent is continuously involved in the day-to-day operations of the Division of State Police.

The Deputy Superintendent is the conduit for requests from local, state, and federal agencies seeking the assistance of the Rhode Island State Police. He regularly represents the Division at the State House and with the State Legislature on numerous Rhode Island State Police initiatives. The Deputy Superintendent reports directly to the Superintendent, and along with the Superintendent, works to ensure efficient operation and establish goals, direction, and priorities for the Division of State Police.

The Superintendent has designated the Deputy Superintendent as the Public Information Officer (PIO) for the State Police and, as such, he is responsible for disseminating information to the public through printed and electronic media. Among the responsibilities of the PIO is the coordination of public speaking appearances and demonstrations by Division members throughout the State and Northeast. He periodically meets with representatives from various media outlets to ensure an open line of communication.

Finally, the Deputy Superintendent is the Coordinator for the Rhode Island AMBER and Silver Alert Plans and is responsible for establishing the protocol for investigating child abduction Investigations. The Rhode Island AMBER and Silver Alert Plans provide a rapid response to the most serious child abduction and missing elderly person cases respectively. When alerts are activated, the Rhode Island State Police can immediately gain the assistance of local broadcasters to send an emergency alert to the public with the hopes of a quick and safe recovery of an abducted child or location of a missing elderly person.

### DISTRICT COMMANDERS

#### CAPTAIN ROBERT S. WALL CAPTAIN WILLIAM C. JAMIESON

The District Commander's office is staffed with two (2) Division members holding the rank of Captain: Captain Robert S. Wall and Captain William C. Jamieson. Captain Wall, a twenty-three (23) year veteran of the Division, is the District "A" Commander. Captain Wall holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting from Bryant University, a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Administration of Justice from Roger Williams University, and a Master of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice from Anna Maria College. Prior to joining the Rhode Island State Police, Captain Wall served in the Rhode Island Army National Guard. He has served over thirty-two (32) years in the Rhode Island Army National Guard and is currently assigned as the Command Sergeant Major of the 118th Military Police Battalion. Captain Wall has served at all the barracks as a member of the Uniform Bureau. His previous assignments include Night Executive Officer and Assistant Patrol Commander at both the Scituate and Wickford Barracks. While assigned to the Uniform Bureau, he served as the Officer-In-Charge of the Collision Reconstruction Unit for the past 6 years. He was also a member of the Honor Guard Unit, the Critical Incident Stress Management Team and served as a Field Training Officer. He was an officer in the Rhode Island Troopers' Association for over 8 years which concluded in 2007 after serving as the President of the Association. Most recently, Captain Wall served as the Division's Operations Officer.

Captain Jamieson, a twenty-three (23) year veteran of the Division, serves as the District "B" Commander. Prior to joining the Rhode Island State Police, Captain Jamieson served in the United States Marine Corps from 1985 to 1992, attaining the rank of Sergeant. Captain Jamieson has served at all barracks locations as a member of the Uniform Bureau. His previous assignments include Weekend Officer-in-Charge, Night Executive Officer, Prosecution Officer for the Hope Valley Barracks, and the Non-Commissioned Officer-in-Charge of the Exeter Patrol. He also served as a Field Training Officer and Firearms Instructor. Most recently, Captain Jamieson served as the Patrol Commander of the Hope Valley Barracks.

Captain Wall is responsible for overseeing the operations of the Lincoln Woods Barracks, Scituate Barracks, Night Executive Officers, the Commercial Enforcement Unit, the Collision Reconstruction Unit, the Tactical Team, the Crisis Negotiation Team, and the Honor Guard Unit.

Captain Jamieson is responsible for overseeing the operations of the Hope Valley Barracks, Wickford Barracks, Portsmouth Barracks, Block Island Detail, T.F. Green Airport Office, Operations Officer, the Domestic Highway Enforcement Detail, Canine Unit, Marine/Dive Unit, and Motorcycle Unit.

The District Commanders have the overall responsibility of ensuring that all barracks are operating in a uniform manner to accomplish the goals and objectives of the Division. The District Commanders respond to all major incidents being investigated by uniformed patrols. Included in their responsibilities is the allocation of personnel around the State. Due to the dynamics and the varied daily responsibilities of the organization, assigning Troopers around the State is a very time consuming responsibility.

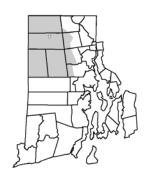
The District Commanders work with other Federal, State, and local law enforcement agencies to coordinate the Division's efforts in the war against terrorism. All special security details and assignments fall under the responsibility of the District Commanders.

# SCITUATE BARRACKS

LIEUTENANT MARK A. FARNUM

#### PATROL AREA:

Burrillville, Coventry, Cranston, Cumberland, Foster, Glocester, Johnston, Lincoln, Providence, Scituate, Smithfield, Warwick



The Scituate Barracks is under the command of Lieutenant Mark A. Farnum, a twenty-four (24) year veteran of the Rhode Island State Police. The Scituate Barracks personnel structure consists of one (1) Lieutenant, two (2) Sergeants, three (3) Corporals and twenty-one (21) Troopers. The Troopers have a Substation at the State Police Blackstone Valley Welcome Center on Route 295 North in the Town of Lincoln and also at State Police Headquarters located at 311 Danielson Pike, North Scituate, Rhode Island. The prosecution office is also located at State Police Headquarters serving Troopers assigned to the Scituate Barracks.

The Scituate Barracks encompasses over three hundred and seven (307) square miles. The Blackstone Valley Substation gives Troopers easy access to State highways and secondary roads in the area. The Scituate Troopers also have patrol responsibilities from the Connecticut and Massachusetts State lines, in the northwest portion of the State, to the Route 6 Providence metro area. Members of the barracks are also responsible for providing police services to twelve (12) cities and towns.

Patrol activities range from traffic patrol and enforcement, crash investigations, and various criminal investigations, to include everything from armed robbery to embezzlement. Troopers made one-thousand two-hundred and seventy-nine (1,279) arrests in 2014 with sixty-seven (67) resulting in the apprehension of drunk drivers. Additionally, Troopers investigated five-hundred and sixty-three (563) incidents and complaints and handled seven hundred and sixty-one (761) motor vehicle accidents. Through concentrated traffic enforcement efforts, Troopers issued nine-thousand nine-hundred and forty-three (9,943) traffic citations, two-thousand three-hundred and forty-eight (2,348) of which were seat belt violations.

In addition to patrol duties, members of the Scituate Barracks are assigned to various specialty units that support the Division of State Police. These responsibilities include assignment to the Governors Security Detail, Tactical Team, Hostage-Crisis Negotiation Team, Honor Guard Details, Firearms Instruction, Marine Unit and the Canine Team. Members of the Scituate Barracks are also responsible for dispatch and front office duties at the Rhode Island State Police Headquarters Complex.

#### Interesting Investigation

In July of 2014, a member of the Scituate Barracks received a walk-in complaint at Headquarters from a Physician's Assistant who believed someone was forging and issuing prescriptions of Oxycodone in her name, without her knowledge. Subsequent investigation revealed that at least seven fraudulent prescriptions were drafted and distributed to obtain 120 count of 30 mg Oxycodone, which targeted multiple CVS Pharmacies in the Cranston, Johnston, Providence, North Providence and Pawtucket Areas.

Troopers gathered crucial surveillance footage, key statements, and useful cross-agency correspondences, which were instrumental in getting warrants signed and uncovering what was once a very successful crime ring.

The investigation resulted in one suspect being charged with six (6) counts of False Representation to Obtain a Controlled Substance and Conspiracy, one suspect charged with (1) one count of False Representation to Obtain a Controlled Substance and one suspect charged with Conspiracy and Obstructing an Officer in Execution of Duty. Troopers were able to reveal the modus operandi of the ring, and arrest these three "players", who helped provide information revealing the source of these false prescriptions.

The coordinator of this ring is currently incarcerated in Massachusetts for Bank Robbery charges, and our case against him and his main co-conspirator has been presented to the Attorney General's Office for possible indictment or additional warrants.

#### Barracks Personnel

Lieutenant: Mark A. Farnum

Sergeants: Erik W. Jones, John W. Gibbs

Corporals: Richard D. Swanson, Ernest P. McKenney, Scott R. Carlsten

Troopers: Peter J. Cambio, Michael J. Capone, David M. Trainor, Lisa M. Hanley, Roupen

Bastajian, Amoncio A. DaCruz, Marcin D. Ferenc, Adrian Cybowicz, Gregory M.

DeMarco, Jared J. Andrews, Shane W. O'Reilly, Nicholas J. Martin, Robert J. Hopkins, David G. Wilson, Brent C. Wilks, Carlos J. Lorenzo, Brendan Degnan, Thomas Davis,

Michael Goduto, Brian Kilfoyle, Kristen Carr

# LINCOLN WOODS BARRACKS

LIEUTENANT ERIC C. LARIVIERE

#### PATROL AREA:

Central Falls, Cranston,
Cumberland, East Providence,
Lincoln, North Providence,
North Smithfield, Pawtucket,
Providence, Smithfield,
Warwick, Woonsocket



The Lincoln Woods Barracks is under the command of Lieutenant Eric C. LaRiviere, a twenty-four (24) year veteran of the Rhode Island State Police. The Lincoln Woods Barracks is located at 1575 Old Louisquisett Pike in the Town of Lincoln. One Lieutenant, two Sergeants, three Corporals, twenty-nine Troopers, and one Civilian maintenance person are staffed at the barracks. Several members of the Lincoln Woods Barracks are also involved with the Division's Specialty Units that include: Tactical Team Unit, Crisis Negotiation Unit, Technical Accident Reconstruction Unit, Marine Unit, Motorcycle Unit, Search and Rescue (SAR), Canine Unit, and Commercial Enforcement Unit. There are also a few members who are still attached to the military and are at times activated.

The Lincoln Woods Barracks utilizes thirty-eight marked uniform patrol vehicles and one low-profile vehicle to patrol an area that encompasses approximately 206 square miles. This area of responsibility is fifty percent urban, twenty-five percent metropolitan, and twenty-five percent rural which includes Rhode Island's three major highways.

The Lincoln Woods Barracks, situated in and around the Providence/Metropolitan area, is responsible for a variety of calls for service. Interstates 95, 195 and Route's 146 and 10 take up the majority of these calls. The barracks is also responsible for patrolling and providing police service to all state facilities to include: the State Capitol, the Department of Administration, the Registry of Motor Vehicles, the Traffic Tribunal, the Institute of Mental Health, the General Hospital, the Adult Correctional and Juvenile Facilities in Cranston, and all Providence County Court facilities. The Lincoln Barracks also assists the twelve local police agencies on various investigations in their area.

Over the past year, troopers at the Lincoln Woods Barracks investigated 1,277 incidents and made 2,353 arrests. Of these arrests, 255 were for Driving under the Influence (DUI) of Intoxicating Liquor and/or Drug violation. With responsibility of the Providence/Metropolitan area, traffic problems are a significant strain on resources. As such, the Lincoln Woods Barracks investigated 3,372 motor vehicle accidents last year. Furthermore, the Lincoln Woods Barracks' commitment to traffic safety issued 14,156 traffic citations for motor vehicle code violations.

In a continuing effort to reduce fatal accidents in its patrol area, the patrol members were also responsible for conducting traffic enforcement details in previously identified fatal crash locations along our highways. This initiative resulted in the issuance of over 800 citations

#### Interesting Investigation

On Wednesday, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014, the State Police Lincoln Woods Barracks received multiple E-911 calls reporting a serious motor vehicle crash on Route 99 in the Town of Lincoln. Troopers arrived on scene and located an over-turned vehicle with two unresponsive occupants within the interior compartment. Medical personnel responded and began to treat the two injured parties. One of the cell phones retrieved from the vehicle began receiving multiple incoming calls. For the purpose of identifying the injured, one of the investigating trooper's answered the phone and began to gather information from the caller. Due to the timing of the call and the content of the caller's message, the trooper believed the person he was speaking with may have been involved in the crash, or at least witnessed it. The caller identified both the driver and the lone passenger in the vehicle. Additional information was gained that supported a possible connection to highway racing.

The State Police Criminal Identification Unit along with the Collision Reconstruction Unit were asked to assist in the investigation. Troopers began to gather evidence and obtain witness statements from passerbys. The evidence seized at the scene combined with the witness statements gathered, continued to direct the investigators towards a road race incident.

Detectives along with Uniformed Troopers continued to investigate the next morning and several days thereafter. A time line was established which led to the seizure of area video surveillance along with cell phone records obtained from court authorized means. Some of the evidence seized was turned over to the University of Rhode Island Crime Lab for analysis.

As a result of the collaborated effort between the Uniform and Detective Division's, multiple arrests were made for many of the involved parties. Although several arrests were made and additional charges may still be pending, it was clearly a senseless crash that ultimately took the life of the passenger.

Highway and street racing is a growing problem that has gained national exposure. Participants range from highly organized groups to neighborhood teenage dares. Although the makeup of the participants may vary, the outcome in each event can often be catastrophic.

#### Barracks Personnel

Lieutenant: Eric C. LaRiviere

Sergeants: John Charbonneau, Simon Liu

Corporals: Alfred Ruggiero, Gregory Cunningham, David Bassignani

Troopers: Peter A. Filuminia, Nuno Vasconcelos, Kristopher Lagor, Franklin Navarro, Ryan

Santo, Sean Crowley, John Brown, Andrew R. Emerson, Robert Marchand, Louis J. Fiorenzano, James Gafney, Michael Reynolds III, Donald Pope, Theodore Gibbons, Mathew Lynch, Conor O'Donnell, Erik Jensen, Robert Twitchell, Michael O'Neill, Benjamin Sternberg, Kyle Barnes, Kyle Kells, James Hudson, Nolan Gaumond, Timothy Jamieson, Thomas Coulombe, Seth Whitford, Juan Coronado, Kathryn Hirsch

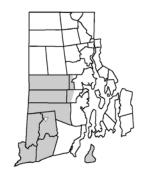
Civilian: Mr. Thomas Nichols

### HOPE VALLEY BARRACKS

LIEUTENANT MICHAEL J. ROSA

#### PATROL AREA:

Charlestown, Coventry, Exeter, Hopkinton, Richmond, Westerly, West Greenwich



The Hope Valley Barracks is under the command of Lieutenant Michael J. Rosa, a twenty-three (23) year veteran of the Rhode Island State Police. The barracks is located at 54 Nooseneck Hill Road in the Town of Richmond and is presently staffed by one (1) lieutenant, two (2) sergeants, three (3) corporals, twenty-seven (27) troopers, and one (1) civilian maintenance person. In 2014, sworn personnel from the Hope Valley Barracks simultaneously served on the following specialized units: Tactical Team, Honor Guard, Collision Reconstruction Unit, and the Canine Unit.

The Hope Valley Barracks utilizes twenty-four (24) marked uniform patrol vehicles and three (3) low profile vehicles to patrol an area that encompasses approximately 250 square miles. Troopers from this barracks handle a wide variety of investigations and calls for service, as the patrol is situated in one of the State's most rural areas. Troopers are responsible for patrolling major roadways, such as Route 95, Route 3, Route 102, Route 165, Route 138 and Route 1, along with all secondary highways and rural side roads.

The Town of Exeter is patrolled by (1) Corporal and (1) Trooper who are assigned to the Exeter Patrol. They are also assisted by Troopers from both the Hope Valley and Wickford Barracks.

Troopers at the Hope Valley Barracks are committed to traffic safety and conducting thorough criminal investigations. The patrol Troopers investigated 397 motor vehicle accidents, which is a decrease from the 412 accidents that occurred in 2013. Troopers issued 13,316 citations during 2014, an increase of 2,536 from 2013. Troopers also arrested 1,021 individuals for various criminal and motor vehicle offenses, including 93 arrests for Driving While Under the Influence. The patrols also investigated 788 incidents.

#### Interesting Investigation

On Wednesday, December 17, 2014, at 12:00 PM, a Trooper was on patrol traveling on the ramp leading from Route 95 North to Route 102 in the Town of West Greenwich. The Trooper then observed a Dodge Charger failing to yield for traffic that was traveling on Route 102. Subsequently, the Trooper stopped the vehicle and approached the operator. While the Trooper was engaged in conversation with the operator, he detected an odor of marijuana emanating from the interior compartment of the vehicle.

The Trooper asked the operator if there was any marijuana in his vehicle, which he replied there was not. The operator also stated to the Trooper that he had never been arrested. Upon request, another Trooper arrived on scene to assist with the motor vehicle stop.

A criminal history check of the operator revealed he had previously been arrested for Possession with Intent to Deliver Marijuana.

Troopers requested the operator to exit his vehicle. The operator was checked for weapons, but no weapons were located. One Trooper searched the compartment area of the vehicle, while the other Trooper remained with the operator. The Trooper that searched the vehicle located a duffle bag that was on the front passenger seat. Further investigation revealed that the duffle bag contained a small bag of marijuana and \$15,666 of U.S. Currency. Upon questioning, the operator could not account for the money and appeared to be overly nervous with his hand visibly shaking. The operator, while engaged in conversation with the Trooper spontaneously uttered there was 50 pounds of marijuana in the trunk of his vehicle. Troopers immediately checked the vehicle's trunk and discovered three large garbage bags that contained 48 individual vacuum sealed bags, which contained a gross weight of 60 pounds of marijuana. The operator in a formal statement, claimed ownership of the marijuana, but would not acknowledge where he acquired it or where it was being delivered. The operator, was charged: 1) Possession with Intent to Deliver- Schedule I and II, 2) Possession with Intent to Deliver > 5 Kilos Marijuana.

#### Barracks Personnel

Lieutenant: Michael Rosa

Sergeants: Robert Carnevale, Roger Reardon

Corporals: Jeffrey L'Heureux, Darnell Weaver and Edward Viera

Troopers: Michael Brouillette, Jason Lawton, Daniel Gazzola, Michael Ferruccio, Kevin Cloud,

Kyle Draper, Brendan Palmer, Garrett Hassett, Karlene McTaggart, James D'Angelo, Evan Shaw, Jason Muccino, Luis Robles, Damien Maddox, Brian McGuire, Michael Bowen, Michael Kane, Neil Kelly, Jeremy Gaucher, Dimitrius Palmer, Dmitriy Drozdov, Cedric Carvalho, Tyler Denniston, Ian Andrade, Kimberly Pitts-Wiley, Richard Bautista

Maintenance: Mr. Scott Gordon

# WICKFORD/PORTSMOUTH BARRACKS

LIEUTENANT PAUL J. OLSZEWSKI

#### PATROL AREA:

East Greenwich, North Kingstown, Narragansett, South Kingstown, Exeter, West Warwick, Warwick, Jamestown, Newport Middletown, Portsmouth, Bristol, Warren, Tiverton, Little Compton, Barrington



In 2014, the Wickford Barracks was under the command of Lieutenant Paul J. Olszewski, a twenty-four (24) year veteran of the Rhode Island State Police. In early 2012, the Portsmouth Barracks was taken out of service and Troopers stationed at this barracks were assigned to the Wickford Barracks. Although the Portsmouth Barracks is no longer operational, a presence is maintained in this area. Troopers are dispatched from the Wickford Barracks for calls of service in the Portsmouth area.

The Wickford Barracks is located at 7875 Post Road in the Town of North Kingstown. The Wickford Barracks compliment is comprised of: one (1) Lieutenant, two (2) Sergeants, three (3) Corporals, twenty-six (26) Troopers, and one (1) civilian maintenance employee. Vehicles assigned to the Barracks include thirty-two (32) marked cruisers, five (5) unmarked cruisers, one (1) unmarked 4 x 4 Pick-Up Vehicle, and one (1) unmarked 4 x 2 Pick-Up Vehicle.

The Wickford/Portsmouth patrols provide police services on a daily basis for commuter traffic to and from the interstate highway system, and for the metropolitan areas of Providence, Cranston, Warwick, Newport, the East Bay area and suburban South County. From Memorial Day to Labor Day, there were additional demands for service due to beach traffic. The additional demands for police presence not only resulted in the need for stronger motor vehicle enforcement, but also caused a substantial increase in criminal complaints and arrests. The Wickford Barracks provides support for the Block Island Detail that ran from May until September, 2014.

In 2014, sworn personnel from the Wickford Barracks served in the following specialized units: the Governor's Security Detail, Tactical Team, Canine Unit, Dive Team, Marine Unit, Accident Reconstruction Unit, Motorcycle Unit, Emergency Vehicle Operator Course (EVOC) Unit, Honor Guard Unit, and Crisis Negotiation Unit. Additionally, Troopers were assigned to numerous special details. Some of the assigned details included; the Rhode Island National Guard Air Show, the Newport Jazz and Folk Festivals traffic enforcement and security, Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) ship security, Jamestown Bridge 10K Road Race and Pell Bridge Run traffic enforcement, Blessing of the Fleet road race traffic enforcement, Governor's Bay Day, military and dignitary escorts to and from Quonset Point and the Newport Naval War College, Eastern State Exposition Big "E", and numerous public speaking assignments.

During 2014, members of the Wickford/Portsmouth Barracks arrested one thousand and three (1003) individuals for various criminal and motor vehicle offenses, including one hundred and six (106) arrests for Driving under the Influence. Troopers issued fourteen thousand nine hundred and ninety five (14,995) citations, handled five hundred and seventy four (574) incidents, and responded to seven hundred and twenty three (723) accidents, of which one (1) was a fatality.

#### Interesting Investigation

On Saturday April 12, 2014 at approximately 8:30 PM, Troopers from the Wickford Barracks assisted the Rhode Island Department of Children, Youth and Families Protective Investigators with a well-being check of two children residing at a residence in the Town of Exeter. Upon arrival, Troopers met with children's father and immediately could smell the distinct odor of marijuana. During questioning, the father provided an expired Rhode Island Medical Marijuana Caregiver card, and an active Medical Marijuana Patient card. Upon entering the residence, the odor grew stronger and marijuana was observed on the kitchen table in several containers. Following a search of the residence, numerous additional jars were observed containing marijuana. Marijuana was also packaged in plastic baggies, consistent with the packaging known for delivery of narcotics. Approximately 30 live marijuana plants were located in separate room, with an intricate grow system. The continued search yielded three (3) Assault style rifles and one (1) shotgun located unsecured on the floor, in the homeowner's bedroom.

As a result of the Troopers' investigation, the Department of Children, Youth and Families Protective Investigator, removed the children from the residence. The homeowner was charged with: 1) Possession of a Controlled Substance, 2) Possession of Marijuana with Intent to Deliver 1-5 kilogram, and 3) Possession of a Firearm during Possession with Intent to Deliver.

#### Wickford Barracks Personnel

Lieutenant: Paul J. Olszewski

Sergeants: Brian Montminy, James M. Pardington

Corporals: John C. Shelhart, Paul J. Conlon, Michael Casey

Troopers: Marc J. Lidsky, Jeffrey Coleman, Wesley H. Pennington, Jean C. Tondre, Kevin M.

Grace, Luke R. Brisson, Daniel S. O'Neil, James M. Thomas, Kenneth J. Marandola, Anthony S. Washington, Marcin D. Ferenc, Justin B. Andreozzi, Amy Jackman, Gregory Palmer, Andrew Elsing, Krystal Carvalho, Christopher D'Angelo, Kyle A. McNulty, Joseph W. Pronk, Charles A. Chadsey, Kyle S. Vinton, Erik A. Mills, Lindsey

A. Laurie, Jeffrey A. Fraser, Stephen Gaffney, Bradley J. Nuhn

Maintenance: Mr. Anthony Daestrela

# COMMERCIAL ENFORCEMENT UNIT

SERGEANT SEAN O'HERN

Sergeant Sean O'Hern is the Commander of the Commercial Enforcement Unit and has served in this unit since 1998. The Commercial Enforcement Unit (CEU) is comprised of one (1) Sergeant, one (1) Corporal, six (6) Troopers, and one (1) Administrative Assistant. In addition to the full-time compliment, there are six (6) Troopers who assist the CEU on a part-time basis during a variety of commercial motor vehicle related details. Within the past few years a number of local agencies have had some of their patrol officers trained as roadside inspectors as well. Currently there are twelve (12) local police officers who perform roadside inspections within their respective jurisdictions. All roadside inspectors must be certified by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA). Once certified, each roadside inspector has the authority to conduct Commercial Motor Vehicle Inspections and ensure compliance with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSR).

In order to be certified as a Commercial Motor Vehicle Inspector, the Trooper /Officer must complete the North American Standardized Inspection Course held at a Regional Training Academy. The Regional Training Academy for New England is currently located at the Massachusetts State Police Training Academy in New Braintree, MA. In addition to the basic two-week course, all full time CEU members must maintain certification in HAZMAT Vehicle Inspection, HAZMAT Bulk Package Inspection, Passenger Carrier/Motor Coach Inspection and Advanced Roadside Inspection Techniques. Each of the above certifications requires additional classroom and field training with a certified inspector.

During the course of a roadside inspection, Troopers have additional responsibilities which include DEM/DOT Heavy Duty Diesel Emissions Enforcement, Rhode Island Department of Transportation Size and Weight Enforcement, Rhode Island Public Utilities Operating Authority Enforcement, and Rhode Island Department of Revenue Fuel Tax Enforcement. CEU members are also called upon to assist with major Commercial Vehicle Crash investigations that occur throughout the state.

In addition to roadside inspection, the CEU also participates in the New Entrant Safety Audit Program and the Compliance Review Program. New Entrant Safety Audits provide newer commercial carriers with a preliminary review of carrier operations. Each new carrier is subjected to a review within the first twelve (12) months of operation as an interstate carrier. The Compliance Review Program is an internal audit/investigation of a commercial carrier's transportation practices. The Compliance Review may be generated by a company's poor safety rating or a complaint filed with the FMCSA. At times, a Compliance Review will result in federal civil charges filed against the carrier and/or one of its drivers. At this time, there is one (1) full-time CEU Trooper and one (1) part-time CEU Trooper assigned to the FMCSA to conduct Safety Audits, and one (1) full-time CEU Trooper assigned to conduct Compliance Reviews.

During 2014, the Commercial Enforcement Unit performed 3,396 roadside inspections which included 187 Hazardous Materials carriers. As a result of these roadside inspections, 10,164 violations were cited with 595 vehicles and 169 drivers being placed Out of Service due to unsafe operating conditions. Troopers also conducted 1,136 Traffic Enforcement related stops yielding 3,134 violations.

Throughout the year, CEU members are called upon to speak at various safety meetings and provide valuable information to the commercial trucking industry. CEU members sit on a variety of committees that influence the commercial motor vehicle industry on both a local and national level.

Rhode Island has maintained a low commercial motor vehicle crash and fatality rating for several years and was recognized by the Federal Motor Carrier Administration for the lowest commercial motor vehicle fatality rate for the calendar years 2010 through 2012. Also, the CEU was ranked 4<sup>th</sup> in the Nation as a High-Performance State by the American Transportation Research Institute for Exemplary Safety and Enforcement Performance activity.

#### **Commercial Enforcement Unit Personnel**

Sergeant: Sean P. O'Hern

Corporal: John E. Furtado

Troopers: Mark J. Perotti, Charles G. LeValley, John J. Gadrow, Gina-Marie Lindell, Charles A.

Bergeron, Sean F. Pasley.

Administrative Assistant: Colleen Noonan

Aux. CEU: Sgt. John W. Gibbs, Cpl. Mark W. Gilson, Trps. Ronald J. Longolucco, Steven J. Haynes,

James M. Thomas, Brian J. McGuire.

# **OPERATIONS OFFICER**LIEUTENANT DOUGLAS C. NEWBERG

The Operations Officer is responsible for certifying the operational readiness and preparedness of the Division's Special Services, which includes the following units: Canine Unit, Marine Unit, Dive Team Unit, Motorcycle Unit, Honor Guard Unit, Tactical Team, RIWMD Tactical Team and Crisis Negotiation Unit. The Operations Officer is also responsible for statewide activations of AMBER Alerts, Silver Alert, and Task Force II, which is responsible for coordinating and deploying search teams and resources for missing persons. The Operations Officer also serves on several committees, such as the Rhode Island Incident Management Task Force, Medical Emergency Distribution System Working Group, Hurricane Evacuation Working Group, Providence Emergency Advisory Council, Weapons of Mass Destruction Working Group, Sector Southeastern New England Port Safety and Security Forum, Emergency Management Advisory Council, and Rhode Island Task Force 2. In addition, the Operations Officer serves as a liaison to the Rhode Island Emergency Management Agency and maintains an office at the RIEMA Headquarters in Cranston.

During the past year, the Operations Office coordinated the Division's response to such events as: the Pell Bridge Run, Jamestown Bridge Road Race, several full scale and table top exercises dealing with homeland security and emergency preparedness operations, Newport Folk and Jazz Festivals, The Big "E" Eastern States Exposition, several parades and ceremonies involving the Division Honor Guard Unit, and numerous dignitary security protection details.

## NIGHT EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

LIEUTENANT STEPHEN B. FLOOD LIEUTENANT JOHN A. BEAUREGARD LIEUTENANT MICHAEL REYNOLDS, JR., LIEUTENANT JOHN M. ALLEN

The Night Executive Officers are tasked with commanding all sworn and civilian personnel working during the night. There are four (4) Lieutenants assigned to this position, with two (2) working each night. During a night shift, one (1) Lieutenant supervises operations within the Southern Barracks patrol area, while the other controls operations within the Northern Barracks patrol area. During 2014, Lieutenant Stephen B. Flood, a twenty-three (23) year veteran, Lieutenant John A. Beauregard, a twenty-four (24) year veteran, Lieutenant Michael Reynolds Jr., a twenty-three (23) year veteran, and Lieutenant John M. Allen, a seventeen (17) year veteran shared this assignment.

The Night Executive Officers report directly to the District Commanders. Their responsibilities include the inspection and management of Troopers, while simultaneously coordinating all field activities by directing investigations and responding to all significant incidents. Additionally, these responsibilities include assisting local police departments when the need arises.

# EXECUTIVE SECURITY LIEUTENANT PAUL S. SIKORSKYJ

The Executive Security Unit is under the command of Lieutenant Paul S. Sikorskyj, a twenty-three (23) year veteran of the Rhode Island State Police. The Lieutenant reports directly to the Deputy Superintendent / Chief of Field Operations. The Executive Security Unit is comprised of one (1) Lieutenant and one (1) Trooper, who facilitate the day-to-day operations of the Governor's Security Detail. Division members assigned to this unit have successfully completed specialized training in the area of Executive/Dignitary protection.

The Executive Security Unit is charged with ensuring the safety and security of the Governor and first family at all times. Protective responsibilities include: personal, grounds and facility security; postal, e-mail and telephone screening as well as threat evaluation. These duties remain the same whether the Chief Executive's official business is within Rhode Island, or requires out of state travel. The Executive Security Unit incorporates various resources to ensure the safety and security of the Governor. These resources consist of communication and a positive working relationship with multiple law enforcement agencies, to include; local and State Police, Capitol Police, the United States Secret Service, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the United States State Department, the Transportation Security Administration, and the United States Postal Inspectors.

Executive Security personnel spend a majority of their time conducting advanced work and formulating logistical arraignments for the numerous public appearances the Chief Executive Officer must attend while in office.

Staff: Lieutenant Paul S. Sikorskyj Trooper Steven J. Haynes

# DETECTIVE COMMANDER DETECTIVE BUREAU

MAJOR KEVIN M. O'BRIEN

Major Kevin M. O'Brien is the Detective Commander of the Rhode Island State Police. He is a twenty-three (23) year veteran of the Division, and has been assigned to the Detective Bureau for fourteen (14) years. The Assistant Detective Commander, Captain Christopher J. Dicomitis, assists with the day-to-day operations of the Detective Bureau. The Detective Commander is directly responsible for all criminal investigations and administrative duties within the Detective Bureau. The Detective Commander is also a member of the Witness Protection Board and supervises the Witness Protection Coordinator.

The Detective Bureau is comprised of seventy-one (71) trained detectives, investigators and twenty four (24) task force officers from federal and local agencies, who investigate crimes that require specialized investigative techniques. These techniques include forensic examinations and the cultivation of informants. They require exhaustive dedication, and ultimately, accurate court testimony in order to pursue a case through to its final resolution. The Detective Bureau is supported by fifteen (15) civilian staff members who are instrumental in supporting the mission of the Detective Bureau.

The specialized units within the Detective Bureau focus on crimes related to terrorism, homicides, the illegal distribution of narcotics, computer crimes, stolen motor vehicles, insurance fraud, white collar crimes, public corruption, gaming crimes, traditional and non-traditional organized crimes, outlaw motorcycle gangs, and violent fugitives. In addition to the extensive caseload investigated by members of the Detective Bureau, members collaborate with local police departments and the Office of the Attorney General in all incidents involving the use of deadly force.

The Detective Bureau is comprised of the following Units: Major Crimes, Intelligence and Organized Crime/Fusion Center, Adult Correctional Institution (ACI) Investigations, Financial Crimes/Public Corruption, Violent Fugitive Task Force, Computer Crimes/Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, Auto Theft and Insurance Fraud, Narcotics/HIDTA Task Force, Criminal Identification Unit, Witness Protection, Evidence/Property Control, and Gaming Enforcement.

Designees of the Detective Bureau work in unison with federal agents and local police officers to assist in specialty units comprised of the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), the United States Food and Drug Administration, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF), Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI); Joint Terrorism Taskforce (JTTF), the United States Marshal Service (USMS), the United States Postal Inspectional Service (USPIS), the Rhode Island National Guard (RING), Providence Police, Pawtucket Police, West Warwick Police, Central Falls Police, North Kingstown Police, Smithfield Police, Coventry Police, Johnston Police, North Smithfield Police, Portsmouth Police, South Kingstown Police, Warwick Police, Woonsocket Police, Bristol Police and the North Providence Police Departments. Several detectives also represent the State Police in various capacities within the Rhode Island Department of Motor Vehicles, and the Rhode Island Division of Sheriffs.

Members of the Criminal Identification Unit (CIU) assist the Detective Bureau and local law enforcement agencies with the identification, collection, and preservation of evidence. The CIU collects and analyzes crime scene evidence that can be instrumental in identifying suspects, weapons used to perpetrate a crime, and the modus operandi of a crime.

Members of the Computer Crimes Unit (CCU) assist the Detective Bureau and local law enforcement agencies with their expertise in the identification and collection of "digital" evidence. The CCU also provides extensive computer training to other members of law enforcement and outside agencies. Members of the Fusion Center assist the various detective units, as well as, federal and local law enforcement agencies, by collecting and disseminating information with a nexus to terrorism and major crimes.

During the past year, the Detective Bureau investigated two thousand and six (2,006) cases resulting in seven hundred and thirty four (734) criminal arrests.

#### **Detective Bureau Personnel**

Detective Commander: Major Kevin M. O'Brien

Assistant Detective Commander: Captain Christopher J. Dicomitis

Lieutenants: John P. Avant, Richard J. Altimari Jr., David A. Doucet, Patrick

T. Reilly, Todd D. Neill, Dennis B. Fleming, Matthew C.

Moynihan, Diane M. Dougherty, Christopher J. Schram

Sergeants: John H. Grassel, Staci K. Shepherd, Timothy J. Dandeneau,

Robert A. Creamer, Gerald M. McKinney, John C. Alfred, Michael J. McGlynn, Christopher J. Zarrella, Kenneth S.

Buonaiuto

Corporals: Shelley A. O'Neill, William F. Accardi, Peter J. Chabot, Timothy

E. Allen Jr., Kenneth M. Moriarty, Eric M. Yelle, Cynthia Trahan,

Richard D. Ptaszek

Detectives: Terrence B. Pendergast, Thomas E. Jacques, Kenneth D.

DeMarco, Matthew S. Salisbury, Phillip D. Martin, Daniel S. Fleming, Robert J. Richardson, Kevin K. Kojoian, Michael A. Brock, Eric P. Yanyar, Matthew P. McGuire, David M. Gormly, Anthony K. Commendatore, Damien K. Longo, Scot G. Baruti, Douglas S. Watters, Marc A. Alboum, Nicholas P. Rivello Jr., Daniel A. Hernandez, Shawn P. Slade, Mark D. McGehearty, Ernest E. Adams, Brian M. Macera, Brendan Doyle, Sean P. McGehearty, Luke D. Schatz, James M. Brown, Robert P. Laurelli, Derek G. Melfi, Herbert D. Tilson, Steven M. Brown, Heather B. Donahue, William F. Reilly Jr., Lawens Fevrier, Nicholas J. Messinger, Adam B. Kennett, Kyle K. Shibley, Christopher V. O'Connors, Adam J. Houston, Courtney E. Elliott, Ryan N. Mahoney, Melissa A. Giardina, Ruth C. Hernandez

Investigator: Michael S. Douglas

Civilians: Karen Felice, Pauline Malec, Peta Ann Simpson, Lori A. Tellier,

Barbara M. Redinger, John C. Soscia, Michael P. DiComitis, Glen T. Hogan, Robert Avizinis, Gerard J. Ratigan, Stephen R. Bathgate, Emile G. LeDuc, Brittney Morgan, Meghan Martinez,

Gerald Gent

## FINANCIAL CRIMES UNIT

SERGEANT ROBERT A. CREAMER

In 2014, the Financial Crimes Unit was led by Sergeant Robert Creamer. The Unit is currently comprised of two (2) Sergeants, five (5) Detectives, two (2) civilian Certified Fraud Examiners, and one (1) Criminal Case Coordinator. The Financial Crimes Unit is staffed with a diverse group of personnel skilled in areas of criminal investigation involving fraud, also known as "white collar crime." Unit personnel hold advanced degrees in law, accounting and taxation and have earned financial designations including Certified Public Accountant and Certified Fraud Examiner. The Unit is called upon to investigate a wide variety of financially motivated crimes that include public corruption, extortion, embezzlement, obtaining money by false pretenses, mortgage fraud, forgery, credit card fraud, bank fraud, identity theft, and money laundering.

#### Interesting Investigations

In January 2014, the Financial Crimes Unit in conjunction with the Rhode Island Office of Attorney General successfully completed a lengthy investigation into a complaint that an attorney and former state senator from Narragansett and his paralegal conspired to embezzle over \$164,000 in client funds.

The Financial Crimes Unit commenced an extensive investigation into four separate complaints alleging that the individual, acting as a closing attorney, failed to pay existing mortgages with the proceeds from real estate closings as well as state income and property taxes that were withheld.

The investigation revealed that at the time of the closings, the attorney was licensed to practice law in the State of Rhode Island and maintained a law office in Warwick. The investigation showed that the attorney misappropriated over \$164,000 from his IOLTA account and used the funds for his and paralegal's personal use. Also discovered was the fact that during one of the closings, the paralegal created and forged a fraudulent Closing Protection Letter that was used for the financing company to fund the loan of which the proceeds were never paid to the existing mortgage holder.

In addition to the above, the paralegal was found to have used the law office company credit card without authority to make \$1,100 in personal purchases.

On January 15, 2014, a jury found the former state senator guilty of three counts of embezzlement and one count of conspiracy. He was sentenced by the court in May, 2014 which imposed a sentence of fifteen years at the Adult Correctional Institution with four and one half years to serve. Prior to his trial, his paralegal plead nolo contendre to conspiracy, aiding and abetting, larceny over \$500, embezzlement over \$100, forgery and obtaining money under false pretenses. She was given a ten year sentence with one year to serve at the Adult Correctional Institution.

In a separate case, in May 2014, a former state representative was found guilty after a trial at Providence Superior Court for the unlawful appropriation of \$28,035. The investigation conducted by the Financial Crimes Unit was the result of a complaint filed by an individual who claimed the representative failed to forward the proceeds of a life insurance policy held on his deceased daughter. The investigation revealed that the complainant sought this individual's advice on what steps he needed to take to claim the funds. Once the funds were secured, the state representative deposited the money into his personal bank account and converted the funds to his own use. In July 2014, he was given a twenty year sentence with three years to serve at the Adult Correctional Institution.

## FUSION CENTER LIEUTENANT PATRICK T. REILLY

The Fusion Center is under the command of Lieutenant Patrick Reilly, a twenty-three (23) year veteran of the Rhode Island State Police. The center is staffed by two (2) Detective Troopers, one of whom is a non-commissioned officer (NCO), four (4) criminal intelligence analysts, and one (1) intelligence officer from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). In addition, one (1) Detective is assigned to assist the FBI (Federal Bureau of Investigation) Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF). Due to intelligence shortfalls identified by the 9/11 Commission, State Fusion Centers were created to improve the flow of intelligence information among the federal, state and local law enforcement communities. There are currently seventy-eight (78) Fusion Centers operating nationwide.

In late 2005, the Rhode Island State Fusion Center was established to investigate potential terrorist activity, as well as to facilitate the dissemination of intelligence information to ensure local entities can take the necessary actions to eliminate or minimize any threats facing the State of Rhode Island. A federally approved Privacy Policy was implemented to ensure civil liberty protection of our citizens while fulfilling the mission of the Fusion Center.

The mission of the Fusion Center has been expanded to include the sharing of intelligence relating to all criminal activity. This information is shared across a wide array of critical sectors including law enforcement, fire services, environmental and public health agencies, emergency management, and the general public. The Fusion Center works in conjunction with the Federal Bureau of Investigations Joint Terrorism Task Force. The Fusion Center conducts a community outreach program called "Operation Safe Rhode Island," which is designed to educate individuals involved in the above-mentioned sectors about potential terrorism indicators.

The Fusion Center was established and is sustained by Department of Homeland Security grant funds. The Rhode Island Fusion Center continues to work closely with the Department of Homeland Security to ensure the operation meets nationally recognized benchmarks and standards referred to as baseline capabilities.

A total of two thousand, two hundred and ninety-eight (2,298) requests for information from law enforcement agencies were answered by the Fusion Center in 2014. These requests were received from federal, state and local law enforcement agencies throughout Rhode Island, as well as from other Fusion Centers and outside agencies.

A total of fifty-six (56) Bulletins were generated by the Fusion Center in 2014. Bulletins are generated through a variety of intelligence sources and are reintroduced to our local Fusion Center contacts. Bulletins are classified as top secret, secret, classified, law enforcement only, for official use only and unclassified, and are disseminated to those specific groups as needed.

In 2014, members of the Fusion Center investigated two hundred and twenty (220) tips, or leads, that were received from the general public, the private sector, and other law enforcement agencies. After being investigated by Fusion Center personnel, many of these tips led to criminal investigations and arrests. Some of the activity was referred to other investigative units within the State Police or shared with appropriate law enforcement partners, to include other Fusion Centers and the FBI's Joint Terrorism Task Force. Every lead that is received is fully investigated and shared in a timely manner to ensure the safety and protection of the citizens of our State.

During 2014, members of the Fusion Center hosted forty-two (42) Information Sharing / Community Outreach sessions. Many of these presentations were conducted for the local law enforcement community, to include state and municipal police recruits, law enforcement officers attending in-service training, the Rhode Island Attorney General's Office, the Department of Probation and Parole, and the United States Attorney's Office. Several Information Sharing / Community Outreach sessions were conducted for both the public and private sectors to include the Rhode Island Department of Health as well as local fraud and banking associations.

The Fusion Center continued to initiate and fund technological projects that improve information sharing among local law enforcement agencies and beyond. The Fusion Center continued to work closely with the Rhode Island State Police Technical Services Unit to move towards the completion of a project that will allow for the instantaneous sharing of information contained in records management databases independently maintained by forty-two (42) state and local law enforcement agencies. There are thirty-nine (39) police departments currently using the Cross Agency system and it is anticipated that the Providence Police Department will be included in the network in the near future. The Cross Agency network has proven instrumental in the successful conclusion of several criminal investigations. The Rhode Island Fusion Center also works closely with the Massachusetts Commonwealth Fusion Center and now shares criminal intelligence over a secure connection that was established in cooperation with the Massachusetts Criminal History Board, the Rhode Island State Police Management Information Systems Unit, the Rhode Island State Police Technical Services Unit, the International Justice and Public Safety Network, and National Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (NLETS). The Rhode Island and Massachusetts Commonwealth Fusion Centers have been consulting with the New England State Police Information Network (NESPIN) concerning the possibility of connecting these criminal intelligence databases to their established Regional Information Sharing Systems (RISS) network which will allow access to law enforcement agencies nationwide. The Fusion Center has also acquired a new database called "Government Info Group" which provides profiles on businesses and critical infrastructure throughout the country.

The Fusion Center continues to assume responsibility and management of the Rhode Island Most Wanted Website. This website is funded by the Rhode Island Bankers Association and in the past only included crimes committed within financial institutions. The scope of the website has expanded to include various other crimes which have resulted in numerous tips and clearances. During the year 2014, the Fusion Center processed two hundred and fifty-four (254) submissions to the Rhode Island Most Wanted website. From those submissions, the Fusion Center received one hundred and fourty-three (143) tips that were forwarded to the investigating officers at their respective departments. As a result of the postings by the Fusion Center to the Most Wanted website, a total of one hundred and thirty-three (133) captures and / or identifications were reported, which indicates a 52% success rate.

The Fusion Center manages the "CodeRED" emergency alert notification system to the Division of State Police and the Rhode Island Division of Sheriffs. This system allows the Rhode Island State Police as well as the Division of Sheriffs to immediately contact all of its members via phone and email within minutes. In the future this system can be adapted for use in notifying our state, local, and federal law enforcement agencies.

The Fusion Center is the Watch Center for RI-Safe. RI-Safe is a de-confliction central database which collects and geo-locates specialized law enforcement operations on an event-by-event basis. Examples include executions of search / arrest warrants, raids, and undercover drug operations. When event data is entered into the geo-spatial repository, Fusion Center personnel, who must monitor the software, can detect when opposing law enforcement operations may occur at the same time and place, creating a conflict that may result in officer injury or compromising an investigation. Analysts then work to de-conflict the event by advising lead investigators for both events to ensure officer safety. This system requires analysts to monitor for conflicts, but also to make event entries for Rhode Island State Police personnel and United States Marshals Service personnel. Every law enforcement agency in the State of Rhode Island has police officers that have received the RI-Safe training. During the year 2014, one thousand three hundred and fifteen (1,315) entries were made into the RI-Safe de-confliction database. There were a total of one hundred and six (106) conflicts that were resolved by members of the Fusion Center along with staff members from NESPIN.

The Fusion Center is the state clearing house for the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC). The Fusion Center established points of contact within each police department in Rhode Island and can communicate with these points of contact immediately by phone or email. During the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014, a total of two thousand, four hundred and fifty-nine (2,459) missing / runaway juveniles were reported by law enforcement agencies throughout the state. Of those reported missing, twenty-six (26) remain active, while two thousand, four hundred and thirty-three (2,433) were located or returned.

During the month of June, 2014 the Rhode Island Fusion Center (RIFC) hosted the Northeast Regional Intelligence Group (NRIG) Conference at the Newport Marriott in Newport, Rhode Island. This was requested of the RIFC by the National Fusion Center Association (NFCA). The NRIG consists of seventeen (17) Fusion Centers from Maine, south to Virginia and westward to Ohio. The NRIG operates in conjunction with the National Network of Fusion Centers, which consist of seventy-eight (78) from across the United States. The three day conference was attended by approximately two hundred people from the region. This included the Directors and staff of each Fusion Center, Federal Partners from each specific paralleled discipline as well as associates in private industries. Presentations and training was conducted by members of the staff as well as leaders in the homeland security components throughout the country, to include The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of the Director of National Security (ODNI), The Terrorism Screening Center (TSC), The National Counter-Terrorism Center (NCTC), Department of Defense (DOD), National Security Agency (NSA), The Program manager for the Information Sharing Environment (MP-ISE) as well as several others. This conference was a great showcase for the Rhode Island area and the Rhode Island Fusion Center.

# NARCOTICS UNIT/RHODE ISLAND STATE POLICE HIGH INTENSITY DRUG TRAFFICKING AREAS TASK FORCE

LIEUTENANT DENNIS B. FLEMING

During the year of 2014, the Narcotics Unit / Rhode Island State Police High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) Task Force was under the command of Lieutenant Dennis B. Fleming. The Unit is currently comprised of two (2) Corporals and five (5) Detectives

The Unit is assigned to a statewide task force known as the Rhode Island State Police High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) Task Force. The Rhode Island State Police manages the Task Force, which is comprised of Rhode Island State Police Detectives, Special Agents from the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF), , Bureau of Homeland Security / Immigration and Customs Enforcement (HSI / ICE), along with full time Detectives from the Providence Police Department, Pawtucket Police Department, Johnston Police Department, Central Falls Police Department, North Providence Police Department, and the West Warwick Police Department. The Rhode Island National Guard-Counterdrug Support Program also has two (2) part-time analysts assigned to the Task Force.

The Narcotics Unit / HIDTA Task Force is responsible for conducting investigations relating to violations of the federal and state Uniformed Controlled Substance Act. The mission of the Task Force is to identify, target for prosecution, and dismantle, core and secondary Drug Trafficking Organizations (DTO) that import and / or distribute cocaine, heroin, and / or other illegal narcotics in or through the Rhode Island geographical area. These violations are investigated by conducting surreptitious physical and electronic surveillance, court-authorized wire installations, pen registers, controlled buys, buy / bust operations, undercover operations, reverse sting operations, and parcel package / freight interdiction. The majority of these investigations culminate in the execution of court-authorized arrest and search warrants. The execution of these warrants frequently results in the arrest of criminals and the seizure of their illegally obtained assets, including United States currency. The HIDTA Task Force also assists members of the Uniform Division, local police departments and other state and federal agencies with narcotics-related investigatory assistance and conducts public speaking engagements.

The majority of cases investigated by the Narcotics Unit / HIDTA Task Force are a result of initiating proactive investigative techniques. These types of cases usually result from cultivation of confidential informants. Furthermore, HIDTA members develop information provided to them by members of the Patrol Bureau as a result of motor vehicle stops and / or arrests.

The HIDTA Task Force is federally funded, but relies too on cash / asset seizures from state and federal forfeitures to facilitate the purchase of equipment and provide financial support for investigations.

In 2014, the Narcotics Unit / HIDTA Task Force was involved in the investigation of one hundred and fifteen (115) drug-related cases resulting in one hundred and twenty-nine (129) state and federal criminal arrests. As a result of the 2014 investigations and arrests, the below-listed contraband and property was seized:

#### Contraband Seized

Arrests: 129

Heroin Seized: 3,887.15 grams (kilo) Cocaine Seized: 13,571.1 grams (kilo)

Marijuana Seized: 357 pounds Marijuana Plants Seized: 540

Controlled Prescription Drugs Seized: 9,526 pills, Oxycontin, Oxycodone, Alprazolam,

Suboxone, and Diazepam

Hallucinogenic Psilocybin Seized: 82.69 grams

Molly (MDMA): 3030 grams Ecstasy Seized: 1830 pills

Methamphetamine Seized: 1 gram

Hash Oil Seized: 20 pills

Synthetic Marijuana: 18,301 grams Weapons Seized: 33 firearms

#### Seized Property

United States Currency Seized: \$317,770.00

Other Assets Seized: Three (3) homes valued at \$711,000.00 and 26 motor vehicles

The Narcotics Unit also has one (1) member, a detective assigned to the Providence Office of the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Task Force. In 2014, this detective was the case agent for numerous narcotics-related investigations and arrests as well as civil forfeitures of United States currency where no arrests were made. These cases resulted in the seizure of approximately two million, eight hundred thousand dollars (2.8) of which approximately two hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000.00) will be issued to the Division.

This detective is also the administrator of the Domestic Highway Enforcement (DHE) Program. This program is a nationwide, federally funded criminal interdiction initiative and is comprised of twenty-five (25) Uniform Division Troopers who have been specially trained in highway criminal interdiction techniques.

During the 2014 calendar year, the DHE Program was responsible for thirty (30) arrests and seized the following contraband:

#### Contraband Seized

Cocaine: 5,150.25 grams Heroin: 757.65 grams Marijuana: 95 pounds

Synthetic Marijuana: 3,277 packets

Diversionary Drugs: 8,072 tablets (Oxycontin, Oxycodone, Suboxone, Xanax, Vicodin, etc.)

Synthetic Drugs: 81 grams (Bath salts, Molly, MDMA, Mushrooms)

Firearms: 2 Vehicles: 1

#### Seized Currency

United States Currency: \$101,904.00

#### Interesting Investigation

Beginning in March 2012, the Rhode Island State Police HIDTA Task Force developed information that a subject identified only by his street name, "Shorty," was coordinating the distribution of large quantities of cocaine in the City of Providence. As part of the structure of this organization, "Shorty" utilized two (2) conspirators as "runners," and several vehicles. Through investigative techniques, "Shorty," the leader of this drug trafficking organization, and his co-conspirators were identified.

On June 2014, the Rhode Island Superior Court, signed a Court Order authorizing the abovenamed law enforcement agencies to intercept communications over two (2) cellular telephone numbers utilized by "Shorty" to operate and conduct criminal operations, to include: Delivery of Schedule Controlled Substances (R.I.G.L. 21-28-4.01); Conspiracy to Violate the Uniform Controlled Substances Act (R.I.G.L 21-28-4.08) in violation of the General Laws of Rhode Island (1956) as amended (Reenactment 2002).

Members of the Rhode Island State Police HIDTA Task Force maintained continued electronic audio intercept surveillance on the aforementioned telephone accounts. Over the course of this investigation, HIDTA positively identified numerous individuals in this illegal cocaine distribution operation.

Throughout the course of this investigation, members of HIDTA were able to establish through numerous intercepted telephone conversations and surveillances that the suspects were conducting an illegal drug trafficking operation. During physical surveillances, members of HIDTA observed the suspects meet with known and unknown individuals for the distribution of cocaine for profit.

During this investigation, the HIDTA Task Force intercepted over one thousand one hundred (1100) telephone calls. In 2014, Task Force members arrested fourteen (14) individuals on various narcotics-related charges and executed four (4) search warrants on residences. Members seized approximately twelve hundred and fifty (1250) grams of cocaine, over thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.00) in United States currency, drug packaging paraphernalia, digital scales, and seven (7) motor vehicles.

After being arrested, an NCIC check, made through the use of fingerprints, revealed that suspect, a.k.a. "Shorty" and others were utilizing false identities. The NCIC check further revealed that one suspect was wanted as a Fugitive from Justice from the State of New York (Escape from Custody-Work Release).

In a continuation of this investigation, Task Force members arrested another three (3) individuals for various narcotics-related charges and executed an additional three (3) search warrants on residences. As a result, members seized the following: one thousand (1000) grams of cocaine; several ounces of marijuana; six (6) plants; twenty-five thousand six hundred dollars (\$25,600.00) in United States currency; two (2) handguns; two (2) motor vehicles; and two (2) motorcycles.

This investigation owes its success to the outstanding interagency cooperation amongst all its participants as well as the hard work and dedication of the Task Force members.

## MAJOR CRIMES UNIT LIEUTENANT MATTHEW C. MOYNIHAN

The Major Crimes Unit is tasked with investigating homicides, sexual assaults, kidnappings, robberies, assaults involving serious injury, and investigations of police officer shootings or the incustody death of prisoners. In addition, the Major Crimes Unit works closely with other state, federal and local law enforcement agencies involving investigations of mutual concern, to include combating Human Trafficking within the State of Rhode Island. The Unit is also responsible for investigating criminal activity at the Adult Correctional Institution, the Rhode Island Training School -Youth Correctional Center and the Wyatt Detention Facility (when requested).

The Major Crimes Unit is presently comprised of the following members: one (1) Lieutenant, two (2) Sergeants, one (1) Corporal, and five (5) Detectives.

In calendar year 2014, members of the Major Crimes Unit made one hundred and seventy-four (174) arrests and investigated or assisted in four hundred and sixteen (416) separate incidents. These cases were directed to the Major Crimes Unit through either an initial barracks investigation, walk-in complaints, complaints filed at the Detective Office located at the Adult Correctional Institution, or when called to assist with local law enforcement investigations. The following is a compilation of the total number of criminal cases in which the Major Crimes Unit has participated:

#### January 2014 - December 2014

Case Type **Case Type** 1st Degree Child Molestation Juvenile Escape 29 1st Degree Sexual Assault 15 2 Kidnapping 2nd Degree Child Molestation 4 Larceny Over \$1500 4 2nd Degree Sexual Assault Larceny Under \$1500 5 1 Malicious Mischief 2 Assault at the Wyatt Detention Facility 14 Obstruction of Justice 2 Assault on Correctional Officer 6 13 Obtaining Money / False Pretenses 2 5 Assault with Bodily Fluids Officer Involved Shootings 5 Attempted Suicide Possession of Child Pornography 3 3 Possession of Counterfeit Currency 1 **Breaking and Entering** 2 Possession of Narcotics 9 Burglary 1 5 Child Abuse Possession Stolen Vehicle 15 Receiving Stolen Goods 8 7 **Resisting Arrest** 1 Conveyance of Contraband within a Prison Facility Cyber Stalking 4 Robbery 2 **Disorderly Conduct** 16 Simple Assault 15 Stalking 2 Escape from Adult Correctional Institution 3 Escape from Lawful Custody 2 Sudden Death 4 1 Theft of Telecommunications 1 False Pretenses to Obtain Controlled Substance Felony Assault 8 Threats to Public Officials 6 6 Filing a False Document 1 **Unlawful Appropriation** 2 5 Use of Firearm during Commission Crime Fugitive from Justice 76 Violation of a Protective Order 10 Identity Theft Violation of Community Supervision 9 Indecent Exposure Weapons other than Firearms

The role of a Detective assigned to the Major Crimes Unit includes conducting investigations on all capital and serious offenses initially filed at a barracks, and investigating all police-involved shootings that occur within Rhode Island. Major Crimes Detectives also assist Federal officials with felony investigations, which occur at the Wyatt Federal Detention Facility in Central Falls, Rhode Island. The Major Crimes Unit had investigated fifty-three (53) complaints that were considered law enforcement information "only," fifty-five (55) complaints where Detectives assisted other agencies, ten (10) pre-employment background investigations, and three (2) non-criminal death investigations.

In addition to those Detectives assigned to Headquarters, the Major Crimes Unit has two (2) Detectives assigned to the Adult Correctional Institution (ACI). These Detectives thoroughly investigate all complaints made by both prison employees and incarcerated inmates. These Detectives also collect criminal information from prisoner investigators employed at the Department of Corrections, which is then shared with other law enforcement agencies in an effort to bolster officer safety. Detectives assigned to the ACI handle the prosecution of all inmates who are considered fugitives from other states. These detectives also handle investigations and prosecution of offenders who are in the custody of the Department of Children, Youth and Families at the Rhode Island Youth Detention Center (Training School).

#### Interesting Investigation

On September 14, 2014, members of Major Crimes arrested two male subjects from West Warwick for the following: 1) Kidnapping of a Minor, 2) First Degree Sexual Assault, and 3) 3rd Degree Sexual Assault. The arrest was the result of a joint investigation between the Major Crimes Unit and the West Warwick Police Department.

On August 21, 2014, the Major Crimes Unit assisted the West Warwick Police Department with a missing juvenile complaint. Members of the West Warwick Police Department developed information, which led to the juvenile being located in New York City by law enforcement officials. The juvenile provided information to law enforcement officials advising that she went for a run close to her house at approximately 11:30 PM, after awaking from a nightmare. The female suffers from depression and posttraumatic stress disorder and was trying to avoid having a "flashback" from an alleged previous sexual assault. While jogging, she was approached and lured into a vehicle by an unknown male with a dog. The juvenile was taken to an area motel and sexually assaulted by two adult males. The juvenile was sexually assaulted several more times at various locations. The juvenile was then provided with a sum of money and dropped off at the bus station and instructed to go to New York, where she was later located by law enforcement officials.

Subsequent investigation by detectives from the Major Crimes Unit resulted in the identification of both adult males. Major Crime detectives obtained evidence at the motel, where the initial sexual assaults occurred. Detectives also obtained video surveillance of the juvenile with the suspects. This further corroborates the juvenile's account of the incident.

Detectives, in conjunction with the Rhode Island Attorney General's Office, obtained arrest warrants for both suspects. In addition, court authorized search warrants were issued and additional evidence in support of the criminal charges were obtained. Detectives from the Major Crimes Unit, West Warwick Police Department and Coventry Police Department arrested both suspects without incident. A statement was obtained from one of the suspects to support the criminal charges.

#### Major Crimes Unit Personnel

Lieutenant Matthew C. Moynihan; Sergeant Timothy Dandeneau; Sergeant Michael J. McGlynn; Corporal Kenneth Moriarty; Detective Kevin Kojoian; Detective Mark Alboum; Detective Herbert Tilson; Detective Heather Donahue; and Detective Ruth Hernandez.

## COMPUTER CRIMES UNIT / INTERNET CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN TASK FORCE

LIEUTENANT CHRIS SCHRAM

Detective Lieutenant Chris Schram joined the Computer Crimes Unit in October 2014, bringing the current complement to one (1) Lieutenant, one (1) Sergeant, one (1) Corporal, three (3) detectives, two (2) civilian forensic analysts, one (1) program manager, and one (1) canine. Combined, Unit personnel have an expansive and diverse knowledge base, based both on formal education and experiential learning. Unit personnel hold advanced degrees in criminal justice, political science, computer science, sociology, and human development and family studies, supplemented by numerous industry-recognized certifications such as EnCE, Comp TIA A+, Security +, Net +, The United States Secret Service Network Intrusion Responder Program, AccessData Certified Examiner (ACE), and in specialty areas around conducting online, peer-to-peer investigations and forensic interviewing.

The Computer Crimes Unit investigates criminal violations of law which often involve the use of a computer in the commission of the crime. These crimes encompass all types of criminal activity ranging from traditional crimes to online violations to include unlawful computer access, online fraud, identity theft, child exploitation and network intrusions. Moreover, the Unit contains two Task Force/Team-oriented groupings that focus on specialized areas of technology-facilitated criminal activity – the Rhode Island Internet Crimes Against Children (RIICAC) Task Force and the Rhode Island Cyber Disruption Team (RICDT). Additionally, the Computer Crimes Unit provides forensic analysis of digital media and technical assistance to members of the Division and other law enforcement agencies throughout the state. In 2014, the Computer Crimes Unit completed two large-scale arrest operations, investigated approximately 664 complaints, made 74 arrests, completed 256 forensic analyses, and provided 670 combined technical assists to Division members or other members of law enforcement throughout the State.

The Rhode Island ICAC Task Force is a Department of Justice grant-funded program administered by the Rhode Island State Police, specifically the Computer Crimes Unit. Over the last year the Task Force has been comprised of the six (6) members of the Computer Crimes Unit along with detectives from the Coventry Police Department, Warwick Police Department, Pawtucket Police Department, Woonsocket Police Department, North Kingstown Police Department, Portsmouth Police Department, Bristol Police Department, Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) and the United States Postal Inspection Services (USPIS). During 2014, additional affiliates were welcomed from the South Kingstown and North Smithfield Police Departments. The objective of the RIICAC Task Force is to form strong working relationships between local, state, and federal law enforcement in order to effectively and efficiently prevent, detect, investigate, and prosecute online child exploitation and child pornography crimes.

The field of cyber security has been a continued focus of the Computer Crimes Unit in 2014. With support from federal funding, the Unit remains diligent in its efforts to expand and train members of the Rhode Island Cyber Disruption Team (RICDT) to improve responses to a myriad of possible scenarios that we face as an increasingly technologically-dependent society. Currently, the RICDT consists of over seventy (70) representatives from various public and private sector agencies who recognize the need for a unified effort against cyber threats to our infrastructure. The RICDT continues to grow in size and expertise, furthering the mission to be able to provide coordinated analysis, support, and response both during and prior to a potential cyber incident.

These missions were recently tested in October 2014, when for Cyber Security Awareness Month the Cyber Disruption Team completed a functional exercise of members' network protection expertise using a simulated network environment to stage various attacks. Additionally, core members of the Cyber Disruption Team work closely with the Rhode Island Emergency Management Agency to shape the future in identifying and hardening Rhode Island's critical infrastructure sites against cyber vulnerabilities and intrusions. This year, the Unit investigated four (4) alleged cyber intrusions on local businesses, assisted four (4) government agencies with ransomware infections and participated in three (3) cyber exercises sponsored by other government organizations. In addition to continuous training, the RICDT also provides public education and outreach to businesses and organizations to help increase awareness of potential vulnerabilities and ways to safeguard against these threats. To this end, Unit members on the RICDT completed seven (7) malware notifications to local Rhode Island businesses and conducted law enforcement-specific tutorials with eight (8) local police agencies offering "best practice" recommendations for their network security.

During the course of 2014, the Computer Crimes Unit's continued its effort to interface with the public, providing varied education to students, teachers, parents, industry professionals, business owners, and government officials along with ongoing support of established internship programs with the University of Rhode Island Digital Forensics and Cyber Security Center and Roger Williams University's Center for Forensics. Further support of Rhode Island's young technology professionals includes statewide championing of the national CyberPatriot initiative, led by the Air Force Association. CyberPatriot encourages middle and high school students to form competitive teams to identify network vulnerabilities and encourage a future in cybersecurity. Through the Cyber Disruption Team, Rhode Island was able to have eight (8) teams compete, with six (6) moving to the Regional Competitions to compete against other groups in New England. The goals of these collective outreach efforts have included not just information on the Computer Crimes Unit and the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, but also on general Internet and cybersecurity practices, with the hope of preventing future victimization. Over the last year, approximately thirty-five (35) presentations have been conducted, directly impacting more than fourteen hundred (1400) individuals.

#### Interesting Investigation

During the month of October 2014, members of the Computer Crimes Unit/Rhode Island Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force were requested by a local police department to assist in an investigation involving a report of a sexual assault and the indecent solicitation of a child which allegedly occurred between a teacher and student of a local school.

On October 7, 2014, the principal of the school contacted the police to report that a sixteen (16) year old female student had reportedly engaged in an inappropriate sexual relationship with an adult male teacher. Through communications between the teacher and the student, it was determined that the teacher allegedly sent the student nude images of himself along with videos in which he is engaged in sexual acts. Further examination of the student's digital devices implicated a second teacher in engaging in a sexual relationship with the victim.

Following further investigation and coordination with the local police department and DayOne, members of the Computer Crimes Unit and Rhode Island Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force assisted in the execution of court-authorized search warrants, interviews, and the forensic analyses of assorted digital media. Based on members' investigative and technical assistance, one adult male teacher was charged with the following: 1.) Three counts of Third Degree Sexual Assault, 2.) Indecent Solicitation of a Minor, 3.) Electronically Disseminating Indecent Material to Minors, and 4.) Possession of Child Pornography and the other adult male teacher was charged with 1.) Indecent Solicitation of a Minor. Both men were released on surety bail with the following special conditions: 1.) No use of social media; 2.) No contact with minors; and 3.) No contact order with his victim.

Both men are no longer working within the school; one man resigned and the other has been placed on administrative leave.

This case is only one example of the ongoing success of the Computer Crimes Unit and RIICAC Task Force and its collaborative nature. It is in honor of this spirit that the Task Force was awarded the 2013 Justice Award by Rhode Island's Attorney General, Peter Kilmartin. While the Task Force does generate its own cases, this case embodies the true nature of working together; that no matter where a case originates from, the Task Force will always provide assistance to any department when child victimization has been suspected and/or identified.

#### **Computer Crimes Unit Members**

Detective Lieutenant Chris Schram is the Officer-in-Charge of the Computer Crimes Unit. The sworn members assigned to the Computer Crimes Unit/RIICAC Task Force/RICDT are Detective Sergeant Staci Shepherd, Detective Corporal Eric M. Yelle, Detective Damien K. Longo, Detective Brian M. Macera, Detective Adam Houston, and Canine Thoreau. The Computer Crimes Unit has three (3) civilian employees: Mrs. Meghan Martinez, Cyber Terrorism Program Manager, Ms. Brittnee Morgan, Forensic Analyst, and Mr. Gerald Gent, Junior Forensic Analyst. Additional Unit Task Force and Team members responding to the unit during this reporting period were Detective Kevin Harris, of the Coventry Police Department; Special Agent James Richardson from Homeland Security Investigations (HSI); Postal Inspector Michael Connelly, of the United States Postal Inspection Service; Detective Sergeant Kevin Petit, of the Warwick Police Department; Lieutenant Christopher Brooks, of the Woonsocket Police Department; Detective Raymond Doran, of the Pawtucket Police Department; Detective Jesse Jarvis, of the North Kingstown Police Department; Detective Michael Morse, of the Portsmouth Police Department; Officer Marc Remington, of the Bristol Police Department; Detective Sergeant Jason Wheatley, of the South Kingstown Police Department; and Detective Lieutenant Stephen Riccitelli, of North Smithfield Police Department.



The Intelligence Unit is tasked with the investigation of traditional and non-traditional organized crime. The Intelligence Unit is under the command of Lieutenant Patrick Reilly, a twenty-three (23) year veteran of the Rhode Island State Police. The Intelligence Unit is presently comprised of (5) detectives, one of which is a non-commissioned officer.

The Intelligence Unit is responsible for meeting the goals and objectives set by the Division. In conjunction with these responsibilities, unit members are responsible for managing and maintaining confidential informants, maintaining criminal intelligence files, tracking and identifying members and associates of organized crime, maintaining and gathering information on various gangs, assisting with in-service training, providing informational seminars to other law enforcement agencies, assisting local, state and federal agencies with investigations, conducting electronic sweeps, researching modern technical equipment, and assisting Rhode Island State Police personnel, as deemed necessary by the Deputy Superintendent and Chief of Field Operations. Unit members are also responsible for sharing information with other state and local law enforcement agencies, to include: The New England State Police Information Network (NESPIN), the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

The primary goal of the Intelligence Unit is to identify and suppress the widespread illegal activities of organized criminal enterprises. Historically, the Intelligence Unit focused on monitoring activities of the traditional La Cosa Nostra. However, over the past decade, responsibilities have diversified to include investigations of terrorism, outlaw motorcycle gangs, drug cartels, and other newly emerging criminal groups.

The categorizations of investigations handled by the Intelligence Unit include, but are not limited to: threats and extortion; gambling and lotteries; organized criminal gambling; racketeer influenced and corrupt organizations (RICO); and violations of the Uniform Controlled Substances Act that are linked to Organized Crime. Such violations are investigated through the use of surreptitious physical and electronic surveillance, court-authorized wire installations, pen registers, controlled buys, buy/bust operations, and reverse sting operations. The majority of investigations culminate in the execution of court-authorized arrest and search warrants, frequently resulting in the arrests of eminent criminals and the seizure of illegally obtained assets.

Most cases investigated by the Intelligence Unit are the result of proactive investigative techniques. Investigations typically progress through the use and cultivation of confidential informants.

In 2014, members of the Intelligence Unit were involved in several long-term, complex investigations which led to the arrests of twenty-three (23) individuals for a variety of criminal offenses, to include; racketeer influenced and corrupt organizations (RICO), extortion, organized criminal gambling (bookmaking), usury, possession of firearms, cultivation of marijuana, illegal distribution of narcotics, piracy/counterfeiting DVD recordings, money laundering and trafficking of untaxed cigarettes.

These arrests and prosecutions also resulted in the seizure of four (4) motor vehicles, eight (8) firearms, two-hundred ninety-eight thousand and seventy-four dollars (\$298,074) in United States currency.

#### Interesting Investigation

During the later months of 2013 and into the beginning of 2014, members of the Rhode Island State Police Intelligence Unit conducted an investigation into an illegal gambling operation being conducted in the northern area of Rhode Island. Various investigative measures were utilized including court-authorized wiretaps where approximately seventeen hundred (1700) telephone calls and text messages were intercepted from December 29, 2013 through February 3, 2014. It is alleged that during these phone calls and text messages, approximately \$130,000 of illegal sports wagers were accepted by the principal suspect in the investigation. Through the course of the investigation, it was determined that target had operational control over a lucrative illegal bookmaking and gambling enterprise. The operation facilitated the exchange of illegal wagers on various sporting events. This organized criminal operation included several dozen other individuals, who placed various sports bets with the main suspect who was a municipal employee for more than (20) years. The suspect would routinely conducted his illicit business during the course of his shift with the municipality.

During the early morning hours of February 4, 2014, members of the Rhode Island State Police Intelligence Unit and Detective Bureau executed four (4) court-authorized search warrants and thirteen (13) arrest warrants. This resulted in the seizure of approximately \$260,000 in United States Currency, seven (7) firearms, two (2) motor vehicles, numerous betting slips, transaction ledgers and pool wagering cards.

The majority of those "bettors" were not involved in the multiple arrests. The subjects arrested as a result of the enforcement action, were identified as bookmakers or "bookies," who are alleged to have accepted illegal sports wagers from their own customers and "layed off" those bets to the main target.

The investigation was an excellent example of a strategic investigation to take down the command structure and associates of a criminal enterprise operating within the State of Rhode Island.

## VIOLENT FUGITIVE TASK FORCE

LIEUTENANT TODD D. NEILL

The Violent Fugitive Task Force (VFTF) is under the command Lieutenant Todd Neill. This unit is currently comprised of one (1) Lieutenant, three (3) Detectives, one (1) Providence Police Patrolman, (1) Rhode Island Sheriff, and three (3) full-time and two (2) part-time members from the United States Marshals Service.

The Violent Fugitive Task Force is responsible for tracking and locating subjects that are wanted on violent felony charges. Members of the Violent Fugitive Task Force track and investigate long-term fugitive matters and also handle a large quantity of parole violators, federal probation violators, Adult Correctional Institution (ACI) escapees, and requests from the Attorney General's Office as well as requests from local and federal law enforcement agencies.

During the past calendar year, members of the Violent Fugitive Task Force arrested one hundred and fifty-six (156) people wanted by law enforcement agencies and courts within the State of Rhode Island and across the nation. These arrests include: seven (7) individuals wanted for murder, three (3) subjects wanted for armed home invasion, five (5) subjects wanted for armed robbery, two (2) individuals wanted for escape, and eleven (11) individuals wanted for felony assault with a dangerous weapon to include firearms.

The Violent Fugitive Task Force brought additional criminal charges on subjects on the following: three (3) individuals were charged with weapons other than firearms; two (2) individuals were charged with welfare and identity fraud; three (3) individuals for obstruction; three (3) individuals were charged with resisting arrest; one (1) individual was charged with reckless driving/eluding; one (1) individual was charged with possession of a sawed-off shotgun; one (1) individual was charged with possession of marijuana; one (1) individual was charged with failure to register as a sex offender, and one (1) individual was charged with possession of a firearm.

#### Interesting Investigation

In August 2013, members of the Providence Police Department initiated an investigation into a murder. During the investigation members of the Providence Police Department Major Crimes Bureau identified Suspect 1, and Suspect 2, as suspects and obtained affidavit and arrest warrants for both subjects. During the weeks following the murder, members of the Providence Police Department were unsuccessful in apprehending both suspects. The case was subsequently referred to the Rhode Island Violent Fugitive Task Force for investigation.

During the next several months, members of the Rhode Island Violent Fugitive Task Force conducted numerous interviews related to the location of both subjects. In February 2014, members of the Rhode Island Violent Fugitive Task Force traveled to New York and interviewed several associates of Suspect 2. Also, members of the United States Marshals Southeast Regional Fugitive Task Force and United States Army Criminal Investigative Division conducted interviews with family members of Suspect 2 in Georgia. Through the interviews in New York and Georgia, Task Force members learned that Suspect 2 traveled to Georgia in mid to late August 2013 and remained there with family until mid to late October 2013. In mid to late October 2013, Suspect 2 left Fort Gordon, Georgia and traveled to an unknown location in New York City, New York. Suspect 2 was last seen by cooperating sources in New York City, New York on January 1, 2014. In addition, the cooperating sources advised that Suspect 2 had communicated with them on and around January 1, 2014 using a cellular telephone.

In February 2014, members of the Violent Fugitive Task Force obtained a search warrant authorizing the release of records pertaining to the aforementioned cellular telephone.

Based on the results of the search warrant, Rhode Island Violent Fugitive Task Force members and United States Marshals Service Technical Operation Group members learned that cellular telephone number was no longer being utilized by Suspect 2 as of January 14, 2014. Investigators subpoenaed several of the top called numbers, two identified as being utilized by Suspect 2's girlfriend. Based on a common call analysis, Investigators developed a new cellular telephone number that was possibly being utilized by Suspect 2. The new target cellular telephone number was identified.

In 2014, members of the Task Force obtained a Federal search warrant on the new phone number. Based on the analysis of the records there were several common called numbers on the records.

One of the top called numbers was identified. United States Marshals Technical Operation Group members obtained call records for the cellular telephone. Based on an analysis of those cellular telephone records, investigators believe that it was being utilized by Suspect 2's girlfriend. Investigators determined this by analyzing call records which indicated that the phone was calling close associates of Suspect 2's girlfriend.

In March 2014, members of the Violent Fugitive Task Force obtained a search warrant authorizing the release of records pertaining to the aforementioned cellular telephone.

As a result of the search warrant, members of the Rhode Island Violent Fugitive Task Force and the United States Marshals Service Technical Operations Group received cellular telephone records from Verizon Wireless. The cellular telephone records were reviewed by members of the Rhode Island Violent Fugitive Task Force and the United States Marshals Service Technical Operations Group.

After a review of the records, law enforcement members developed a new target cellular telephone number. This number began calling Suspect 2's girlfriend's cellular telephone at a high frequency after Suspect 2's original cellular telephone terminated service. Between March 14, 2014 and March 23, 2014 there was a high frequency of communication between the two numbers. Based on the frequency of communication and the knowledge that Suspect 2 was no longer using cellular telephone, it was the belief of law enforcement members involved in this investigation, that Suspect 2 was utilizing that cellular telephone number to communicate with his girlfriend.

In April 2014, members of the Violent Fugitive Task Force obtained a search warrant for cellular records to include a physical location of the cellular telephone for a period of seven days.

As a result of the records obtained from the search warrant on the cellular telephone, Investigators were able to determine that the target cellular telephone was located in Brooklyn, New York. In April 2014, Violent Fugitive Task Force members traveled to Brooklyn, New York and met with members of the New York / New Jersey Regional Fugitive Task Force. Investigators responded to an address and located Suspect 2.

## AUTO THEFT AND INSURANCE FRAUD UNIT

SERGEANT JOHN C. ALFRED

The Auto Theft and Insurance Fraud Unit is currently comprised of one (1) Sergeant, three Detectives and one civilian investigator. The Unit is presently under the command of Sergeant John C. Alfred, a seventeen (17) year veteran of the Division. During 2014, members also assisted Rhode Island State Police Lieutenant David A. Doucet, a twenty three (23) year veteran assigned to serve as the Chief of the Enforcement Section within the Rhode Island Division of Motor Vehicles, which includes the Rhode Island Automobile Dealer's License and Regulation Office.

The Unit is responsible for meeting the goals and objectives of the Division. The Unit is responsible for the investigation of crimes involving theft and unauthorized use of motor vehicles, as well as automobile related insurance fraud. In addition, the unit provides assistance to other units within the Detective Bureau, as well as support to uniform members in areas such as vehicle identification, document authenticity, and investigations that remain at the barracks level.

The Unit also provides support and works as a liaison to investigators within the Rhode Island Division of Motor Vehicle's Enforcement Division in identifying vehicles through the use of secondary points of identification and with the inspection of vehicles through the state's "salvage inspection" program. The unit acquired a forensic document examiner to assist with document verification and authentication, as the need arises. The Unit provides assistance to both the Insurance and Body Shop/Salvage Divisions within the Rhode Island Department of Business Regulation (DBR) in the oversight of Automobile Body Shops and Auto Salvage Wrecking Yards. The Unit Supervisor presently sits as a member of the Rhode Island Dealers License and Hearing Board and the Safety and Emissions Hearing Board, both of which fall under the Division of Motor Vehicles, as well as the Auto Collision Repair Licensing Advisory Board within the Department of Business Regulation.

The Unit serves as the Law Enforcement point of contact for the Fraud Unit within the Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training (DLT), and is tasked with prosecuting all cases of suspected fraudulent unemployment insurance claims forwarded by the DLT. Members of Unit also work in collaboration with agents from the National Insurance Crime Bureau, as well as other members of Law Enforcement on the local, state, and federal level, by offering support and assistance to those agencies with ongoing criminal investigations.

During 2014, members of the Auto Theft and Insurance Fraud Unit conducted a total of ninety (90) investigations, which included insurance fraud, possession of stolen motor vehicles, recovered stolen motor vehicles, obtaining money under false pretenses, giving false documents to a public official and other violations of Rhode Island law. These investigations resulted in the arrest of fifty-two (52) subjects on a variety of charges. Stolen motor vehicle investigations throughout the year resulted in the recovery of thirty-nine (39) stolen motor vehicles having a total value of two-hundred forty-five thousand five hundred dollars (\$245,500.00). In addition, members of the Unit received a total of eighteen (18) complaints filed by the DTL Fraud Unit, which resulted in the arrest of eighteen individuals who illegally collected a combined total of three-hundred and ten-thousand five-hundred and fifty six dollars (\$310,556.00) in unemployment benefits from the State of Rhode Island.

#### Interesting Investigation

During the month of April 2014, members of the Auto Theft and Insurance Fraud Unit initiated an investigation where a subject was selling fraudulent Texas temporary registration plates and selling them via the website Craigslist.org.

Investigation ultimately revealed that the suspect resided in the City of Providence and had previously worked for a dealership in Richmond, Texas. The suspect posted a "for sale" posting on the Providence Craigslist.org website advertising "Official Temp Plates \$80" and described the plates as "100% real temp plate, from dealer, official paper work included, will travel." Further investigation revealed that not only did the suspect sell fraudulent Texas registration plates, but he also offered to sell several vehicles where the purchasers were later unable to register based on fraudulent vehicle documentation.

Unit members conducted interviews with several unsuspecting purchasing victims of the fraudulent Texas registrations, and with the assistance of the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles, were able to establish that the suspect had created approximately two hundred and sixteen (216) separate Texas Buyer registrations between the months of February 2014 to July 2014. All of the fraudulent registrations were housed in the State of Rhode Island. A check of the Internet protocol (IP) address used to post the Craigslist.org postings returned to the suspect's residence.

An affidavit and arrest warrant was issued for the suspect for 1) Motor vehicle license required, 2) Forgery and Counterfeiting of Registration Plates and 3) Obtaining money under false pretenses both over and under \$1500.00. In October 2014 the suspect was arrested and charged with the aforementioned criminal offenses.

## CRIMINAL IDENTIFICATION UNIT

LIEUTENANT RICHARD J. ALTIMARI, JR.

The Rhode Island State Police Criminal Identification Unit (CIU) is responsible for the processing of crime scenes, providing technical services with criminal investigations, and assisting agencies with forensic investigations. The CIU unit is the first and only ISO Accredited police crime lab in the State. CIU forensic specialties include: crime scene processing and documentation, digital photography, evidence processing, latent print development and comparison, footwear impression development and comparison, blood spatter interpretation, shooting reconstruction, and video analysis. The CIU is comprised of: one (1) lieutenant, one (1) sergeant, four (4) detectives and one (1) civilian clerk.

Actions taken at the outset of an investigation at a crime scene can play a pivotal role in the resolution of a case. A careful, thorough investigation is the key to ensuring that physical evidence is not tainted, destroyed nor overlooked.

The CIU is also responsible for the positive identification of all subjects taken into custody, as well as the maintenance of criminal records and the dissemination of arrest information to authorized parties. The CIU provides fingerprinting and background checks to all persons required by State Law to fulfill background check requirements.

#### Interesting Investigation

On July 3-4, 2013, the CIU was requested to respond to an address in Central Falls to process the scene of a suspected homicide. As CIU members began to process the third floor apartment for forensic evidence, a second deceased body was located in a back bedroom.

CIU members worked tirelessly for two days battling one hundred plus degree heat in the third floor apartment. An abundance of flies and maggots that had begun to appear and multiply, and a tremendous odor associated with the two dead bodies that had gone undiscovered for several days in the stifling heat.

The subsequent systematic forensic processing of the apartment yielded numerous pieces of evidence including:

- Two blood stained knives, later determined to be the murder weapons
- Biological swabbings of numerous suspected blood stains
- Cuttings from a shower curtain and carpeting containing suspected blood stains
- Footwear seized at the scene with suspected blood stains

The most telling forensic evidence discovered at the scene of this double homicide stabbing incident, however, proved to be the bloody left hand print located on the back bedroom wall. Upon closer inspection, someone's left four fingers and left thumb were left on the wall in blood.

After photographing, lifting and analyzing this crucial piece of evidence it was positively determined that it did not belong to either of the two victims. A submission into AFIS revealed the positive identity of the suspect that left the bloody prints behind. This suspect was ultimately found and confessed to this horrible double murder.

## PROPERTY CONTROL OFFICER

#### LIEUTENANT DIANE DOUGHERTY DETECTIVE ANTHONY COMMENDATORE

Lieutenant Diane Dougherty is a twenty-three (23) year veteran of the Rhode Island State Police and is charged with the control of found, recovered, and evidentiary property. Lieutenant Dougherty assumed the role of Division Property Officer in April of 2014. Lieutenant Dougherty is assisted by Detective Anthony Commendatore who is a fifteen (15) year veteran of the Division. Detective Commendatore assumed the role of Assistant Property Officer in July of 2014. Proper handling, security, and disposition of evidence are critically important toward a positive outcome with Division investigations. In addition to property maintenance, Lieutenant Dougherty and Detective Commendatore provide support for the Detective Bureau and perform administrative functions such as scheduling and facilitation of background checks.

During 2014, the following number of narcotics evidence was received from the Rhode Island Department of Health. These narcotics are the result of seizures made by the Uniform and Detective Bureaus and include marijuana, cocaine, heroin, and miscellaneous controlled substances:

Evidence from State Toxicology	594
Firearms and Weapons	
Seized	106
Released	90
Miscellaneous Items (to include recordings, documents, audio/visual, computers and related evidence) received from the Uniform Patrol and Detective Bureau	2,047
Evidence Released	
Vehicles	31
Miscellaneous Items	74
Vehicles Stored in Lot (vehicles held for accident reconstruction, evidentiary purposes, forfeiture, or ongoing investigation)	
Automobiles	104
Motorcycles	7
All Terrain Vehicles	5
Scooters	2
Jet ski with Trailer	1
Evidence Destroyed	
Narcotics Items (to include a large quantity of marijuana plants and 1500 pounds of marijuana bales)	992
Weapons and Firearms	11

### CHARITABLE GAMING UNIT

#### MS. PAULINE M. MALEC ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Ms. Pauline Malec is the Administrative Assistant for the Charitable Gaming Unit. She has been employed in this position since August 2008. Captain Christopher J. Dicomitis is the Superintendent's current designee in charge of the Charitable Gaming Unit.

Rhode Island General Law gives the Division of State Police both regulatory and enforcement authority over all charitable gaming activity conducted in Rhode Island. At present, raffles and bingos are the <u>only</u> games allowed. The Charitable Gaming Unit serves citizens from all walks of life. For many, it is the only contact they have with the Rhode Island State Police. Most charitable and non-profit organizations in Rhode Island have had contact with this Unit.

Ms. Malec is responsible for reviewing and authorizing all applications for charitable gaming events and provides assistance to applicants with the process. She answers questions and provides information to the general public, as well as other State agencies, local police departments and members of the legal community. All raffle applications require dual approval from the Chief of Police in the city / town where the drawing is to be held, and the State Police. The Charitable Gaming Unit works closely with all local police departments. All organizations authorized to conduct a raffle must file a financial report with the State Police after the event is held. During 2014, there were one thousand, three hundred and forty-three (1,343) authorizations granted to charitable and / or non-profit organizations to conduct raffles.

The amount of money wagered on bingo in Rhode Island has fallen dramatically since the opening of legal gaming casinos. This decrease in income reflects a trend that is going on nationwide. The number of organizations conducting weekly bingo in the State has dropped significantly, from sixty-five (65) in 1990 to fourteen (14) in 2014. The General Assembly attempted to remedy this situation by increasing the amount of money that could be awarded as prizes; in 1998 it was increased from four thousand, two hundred fifty dollars (\$4,250) to six thousand fifty dollars (\$6,050) per night. In July, 2005 the General Assembly increased the amount of money to be awarded in prizes during bingo to seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) per night. Consequently, most charitable organizations do not take in the gross receipts needed to pay out seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) in prizes per night. In 2014, there were seventy-one (71) authorizations for senior citizens recreational bingo to be conducted on a regular basis and forty-one (41) authorizations for recreational or one-time special bingo games. All together, one hundred twenty-six (126) authorizations were granted to charitable and/or non-profit organizations to conduct bingo in 2014.

Revenue from charitable gaming activity is not taxed in Rhode Island, as it is in most other states. A five-dollar application fee is levied on each application.

Charitable Gaming information, applications and forms are available to the public online on the State Police website (<a href="www.risp.ri.gov/sectionsandunits/charitablegaming">www.risp.ri.gov/sectionsandunits/charitablegaming</a>). Citizens' response to this new avenue of information and service has been tremendously positive, as many citizens now log onto the Charitable Gaming web page.

## GAMING ENFORCEMENT UNIT

SERGEANT GERALD M. MCKINNEY

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

"The Rhode Island State Police Gaming Enforcement Unit (GEU) is committed to ensuring the integrity of Rhode Island's gaming industry. The Gaming Enforcement Unit protects the State of Rhode Island, Twin River Casino, Newport Grand, their respective employees, patrons, and the general public, by ensuring that gaming and non-gaming activities are free from criminal activities and corruptive elements."

The GEU will accomplish its mission by identifying contemporary, professional, and ethical enforcement initiatives. The GEU will work diligently and cooperatively with the Rhode Island Department of Business Regulation (DBR), and the Rhode Island Lottery (RILOT). To this end, the GEU, in cooperation with DBR and RILOT, is tasked with the following four components: Corporate/Vendor Background Investigations, Employee Background Investigations, Criminal Enforcement/Investigations, and Intelligence. These four distinct components, working together, provide a comprehensive approach to ensuring the integrity of the gaming industry in the State of Rhode Island.

**Corporate/Vendor Background Investigations -** In order to limit Rhode Island's exposure to organizations and individuals that seek to engage in criminal or other nefarious activities within the gaming industry, the GEU conducts thorough investigations of every corporation and vendor doing business with the gaming industry in Rhode Island.

**Employee Background Investigations -** In order to limit Rhode Island's exposure to organizations and individuals that seek to engage in criminal or other nefarious activities within the gaming industry, the GEU conducts thorough investigations of every prospective and current employee within the gaming industry of Rhode Island.

**Criminal Enforcement/Investigations -** The GEU is comprised of Detectives of the Rhode Island State Police, all with broad investigative capabilities. This provides for a wide array of investigative experience to maintain the gaming industry's integrity, as well as enforcement of all violations of the General Laws of Rhode Island.

**Intelligence -** The third component of the GEU, intelligence, is committed to gathering pertinent information from multiple sources and developing actionable plans to facilitate effective and efficient policing activities.

The Gaming Enforcement Unit (GEU) is presently comprised of the following rank structure: one (1) Sergeant, one (1) Corporal, and five (5) Detectives.

During the 2014 calendar year, members of the Gaming Enforcement Unit made one hundred and thirty-seven (137) arrests and investigated or assisted in four hundred fifty-one (451) separate incidents and/or complaints. The primary focus of the Unit is related to conducting background investigations on applicants seeking employment at the Twin River casino and protecting the integrity of the casino gaming operations. Members of the Unit work on a daily basis with members of the Rhode Island Lottery concerning various criminal investigations. During the calendar year, members of the Unit received specialized training as it relates to conducting background investigations.

#### Interesting Investigation

In May 2013, Detectives of the Gaming Enforcement Unit commenced an investigation into a group of subjects that were fraudulently utilizing cash advance machines at the Twin River Casino in Lincoln, Rhode Island. Detectives obtained information from Citizens Bank that the initial cash deposits into the accounts utilized were from counterfeit bank checks. Detectives learned that members of the Warwick and Providence Police Departments, and the United States Secret Service were conducting similar investigations. Detectives began working jointly with the above named law enforcement agencies and also with prosecutors from the Rhode Island Office of Attorney General and the United States Attorney's Office- District of Rhode Island. Detectives continued to develop information from various banks and check cashing locations. Exposure to the banks, primarily Citizens Bank, approached two million dollars during the course of the investigation. Victims of the this large scale scheme included banks, businesses that had accounts compromised, the City of Providence payroll accounts, the Town of Warren Housing Authority, and numerous check-cashing locations to include Wal-Mart and Target stores. The investigation utilized various investigative measures to include the execution of search warrants, surveillance, trash pulls, utilization of Global Positioning Satellite technology, and the consensual monitoring of conversation(s) with the use of a confidential informant.

The fraudulent checks are negotiated in two schemes. These schemes are the "deposit/withdrawal" scheme and the "payroll check" scheme. The "deposit/withdrawal" scheme is where fraudulent checks are produced using non-existent business accounts (typically law firms, insurance companies, etc.). These fraudulent checks appear to be legitimate. The fraudulent checks are then deposited into a legitimate bank account. After the fraudulent checks are deposited into the legitimate bank accounts, the money is withdrawn from the bank accounts by the account holders, prior to the fraudulent check clearing, or being identified as fraudulent. Typically, the account holders participate in this because they are paid a part of the money or given a "cut". Often times, the account holders are unaware that illegal activity is occurring, as they have been given a back-story for the activity. After the account holders are given a "cut", the remainder of the money is divided by the participants in the scheme. Account holders most times have minimal balances in their respective accounts prior to becoming involved with the fraud.

In the "deposit/withdrawal" scheme, there are several persons involved in the scheme, all with specific functions to make the scheme work. These persons include the "check producer", "recruiter", "handler", and "depositor". Typically, all persons involved are paid, or receive a "cut" of the illegal proceeds resulting from the scheme.

The "payroll check" scheme is where fraudulent/counterfeit checks are produced using actual businesses payroll accounts. At some point, the accounts were compromised and fraudulent checks are produced using the bank routing numbers and account numbers, drawing funds from these accounts. The fraudulent checks are produced to appear almost identical to the actual business checks, including the businesses markings/logos, authorized signature, etc. The fraudulent checks are produced with the name of the person(s) who will cash the check. The people who cash the check are recruited, and do not work for the business on the fraudulent check. This person then cashes the fraudulent check and is paid a part of the money, or given a "cut". After the check cashers are given a "cut", the remainders of the monies are divided throughout the participants in the scheme.

As Detectives proceeded with this investigation and began making various arrests of members of the organized fraud group they were further able to identify the hierarchy of "ring leaders". In most instances, as a result of arrests, Detectives along with the investigative group were successful in obtaining full confessions of all those involved.

During the month of January 2014, a coordinated arrest sweep was conducted which targeted the upper level of the organized criminal group. In total there were twelve "ring leaders" that were arrested on various State and Federal arrest warrants, and an additional seventeen subjects (non ring leaders) that were arrested on various State charges. Several subjects were arrested out of State as they attempted to flee from further prosecution.

### CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

MAJOR DAVID P. TIKOIAN

#### ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: MELISSA M. FORD

The Chief Administrative Officer is responsible for the personnel and fiscal management of the Division's ninety-seven million dollar budget. The Chief Administrative Officer also provides oversight to the Central Management Office as well as supervision of the day-to-day operations of the Division's administrative units. The Chief Administrative Officer acts as a liaison with the Rhode Island Troopers' Association and civilian unions pertaining to the concerns of sworn and civilian personnel.

Several Capital Improvement projects were completed during 2014, starting with the refurbishment of the Division's Property/Evidence and Supply Storage buildings just West of State Police Headquarters. Also, a local architectural firm was awarded a contract through the Department of Administration to provide architectural and engineering plans, specifications and documents for the renovations to our Lincoln Woods Barracks as well as our former Supply and Intelligence buildings. Construction on the Supply and Intelligence buildings commenced in October 2014 with an anticipated completion in the spring of 2015. These Capital Project initiatives are being coordinated under the direction of Lieutenant Robert E. Cunniff, Jr.

The Management Information Systems Unit (MIS), Technical Services Unit, Radio Bureau, and Central Management Office all fall under the command of the Chief Administrative Officer. The Management Information Systems Unit keeps all of the computer systems for the Rhode Island State Police up and running for our members who work day and night. The Technical Services Unit has been very busy taking on new initiatives so all of the Rhode Island law enforcement community can benefit from the technology that is currently available. Through the Technical Services Unit, the Division hosts the National Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (NLETS) and the Rhode Island Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (RILETS). To supplement the Technology and Communications Unit, the Radio Bureau keeps all of the barracks, vehicles, and infrastructure up and running so that communication is always available.

Additionally, the Chief Administrative Officer oversees the Division's Fleet. Much of our aging fleet was replaced in 2013 with the use forfeiture funds. In addition, several specialty vehicles were purchased through grant funding in 2014 to include the purchase of a mobile Crime Laboratory that supports detectives assigned to the Criminal Identification Unit.

Finally, the Planning and Research Unit is also under the command of the Chief Administrative Officer. This unit is tasked with varied projects to assist the Command Staff with legislation, budget proposals, and traffic enforcement resources. They are also tasked with planning all large events hosted by the Rhode Island State Police. Additionally, they administer all federally funded overtime details, produce the Division Annual Report, as well as other Division publications.

## PLANNING, RESEARCH & ACCREDITATION UNIT

LIEUTENANT ANN C. ASSUMPICO CORPORAL LAURIE LUDOVICI TROOPER AMANDA L. BREZNIAK TROOPER WILLIAM C. CORSON TROOPER JONATHAN M. ELLIOTT

UNIFORM CRIME REPORTING (UCR)
MRS. LINDA L. FRACCOLA

SOCIAL MEDIA/WEBSITE SECTION MS. ALLISON L. O'CONNOR

Lieutenant Ann C. Assumpico is the Officer in Charge of the Division's Planning, Research and Accreditation Unit. Presently there is one (1) Corporal, three (3) Troopers and two (2) Civilians in the Unit. Lieutenant Assumpico has been a member of the Division for twenty-three (23) years and has served at each barracks.

In a constant effort to improve highway safety throughout the State, the Planning, Research and Accreditation Unit continues to work closely with the Department of Transportation's Office on Highway Safety. In 2014, the Unit was responsible for representing the Division within various national, State, local and private organizations and committees regarding highway safety issues. These include: the National "Operation C.A.R.E." coalition, State Traffic Commission, Enforcing the Underage Drinking Laws Committee and Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD). The Unit promotes programs and technologies to reduce the number of fatalities and injuries on the roadways.

Another essential aspect of the Division's highway safety enforcement is educational components involving child passenger safety programs. These programs are designed to educate citizens and visitors of the State regarding seat belt and child restraint safety, and to increase safety belt usage in Rhode Island.

The Planning, Research and Accreditation Unit oversees the coordination of all overtime assignments, which include Speed Aggressive Driving, Underage Drinking and Alcohol Compliance, Driving Under the Influence (DUI) patrols and other assignments with the Rhode Island Department of Transportation.

The Planning, Research and Accreditation Unit is responsible for the Rhode Island State Police Internship Program. This program provides an excellent opportunity for students to learn through first-hand participation in law enforcement or related careers in criminal justice. The Unit mentored and placed over forty-four (44) students as part of the Program.

The Planning, Research and Accreditation Unit will continue its efforts to implement progressive and innovative changes in the field of law enforcement. In addition, the Unit researches and develops new technical and administrative programs that will enhance the future organizational growth of the Division. Furthermore, the Unit is also charged with the responsibility of planning and organizing various events such as: the Memorial Ceremony, media educational summits, Rhode Island State Police Museum events, special events, and department promotional events. Additionally, the Unit assignment was expanded to include, accreditation standards, social media and website development to support the goals of the Division.

In November of 1992, the Rhode Island State Police made a voluntary commitment to pursue national accreditation status under the Commission of Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA), Inc. The Commission's mission is to establish a set of professional standards which strengthen crime prevention programs, formalize essential management procedures, establish fair and nondiscriminatory practices, improve services, solidify interagency cooperation and coordination, and boost citizen and staff confidence in the law enforcement profession.

Since the Division initially attained accredited status in November of 1994, it has continually updated policies and procedures to conform to evolving law enforcement issues and accreditation standards. Furthermore, the Division has gathered numerous forms of documentation that demonstrate compliance with Division policies, procedures and accreditation standards. The Division complies with those applicable four hundred eighty (480) standards established by the Commission.

As a direct reflection of the hard work and dedication of the Planning, Research and Accreditation Unit and the Division's sworn and civilian members, the Rhode Island State Police successfully passed its sixth on-site visit for re-accreditation, and was accredited for the seventh time by CALEA in November 2014 receiving the "Accreditation with Excellence" award, under the "Gold Standard Assessment" (GSA). The GAS involved managing and enhancing standard compliance, and generating and revising Division policies and procedures to ensure compliance with the highest level of best practices.

The Division maintains an active presence in the Rhode Island Police Accreditation Coalition (RIPAC). The Coalition was established to support both accredited agencies and agencies interested in the accreditation process within Rhode Island.

The Planning, Research and Accreditation Unit oversees the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) which is staffed by a full-time civilian Operations Manager. The Rhode Island UCR System conforms to the specifications of the Criminal Justice Information Services of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which provides a view of crime based on the submission of statistics by law enforcement agencies.

The Planning, Research and Accreditation Unit also oversees the Social Media Section which is staffed by a full-time civilian who maintains ten (10) Rhode Island Department of Public Safety websites and continually updates the content on these websites. The Social Media Section coordinates with local and state agencies to provide real-time information to the public via social media outlets during emergency situations.

Responsibilities of the Planning, Research and Accreditation Unit include, but are not limited to: collecting and compiling statistical information regarding the Division, the circulation of all data and planning information in a timely manner. The Unit is also accountable for the creation, compilation, and production of the following:

- Division's Annual Report
- Progress Reports, Goals and Objectives
- Office on Highway Safety Quarterly and Annual Reports
- Crime Analysis Reports
- Commuter Mileage Reports
- Scheduling of the Rollover Simulator
- State Wide Monthly Citation Audits
- Memos to Personnel
- General Orders
- Special Orders
- Press Releases
- Scheduling of Flu Clinics, Blood Drives
- HS-1 Grant Applications / Budgets to Office of Highway Safety
- Crime in Rhode Island, Uniform Crime Reports
- Create Community Safety Brochures
- Complete Surveys and Research Police Issues



### UNIFORM CRIME REPORTING UNIT

## MRS. LINDA FRACCOLA OPERATIONS MANAGER

Mrs. Linda Fraccola is the Operations Manager for the Rhode Island State Police and has served with the State Police for twenty-eight (28) years. She is responsible for the statewide operation of the Uniform Crime Reporting Unit (UCR) and is the crime collection liaison between local law enforcement and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The UCR System is the State's crime system, which is mandated by Rhode Island General Law to assemble uniform offense and arrest data from local and state law enforcement agencies, in a form prescribed by the Superintendent.

The Rhode Island UCR System conforms to the specifications of the Criminal Justice Information Services of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which provides a detailed nationwide view of crime based on the submission of statistics by law enforcement agencies throughout the Country.

With receipt of data covering thirty-nine (39) reporting jurisdictions within the State of Rhode Island, the difficulty of attaining uniformity is readily apparent. It is the standard operating procedure to examine incoming reports for mathematical accuracy and completeness, and perhaps, of even greater importance, for reasonableness as a possible indication of error. Regardless of the extent of the statistical verification process used by the UCR Unit, the accuracy of the data assembled under this system depends on the sincere effort exerted by each contributor to meet the necessary standards.

This Windows based management system has been programmed to the specifications of the UCR Unit and to detail offenses and arrest data, law enforcement employee counts, and other special programs of particular interest. With the use of these computer-generated reports and statistical analysis, the UCR Unit produces an annual publication entitled, "Crime in Rhode Island." The UCR Unit then assembles, publishes, and distributes the statistics to criminal justice agencies, the General Assembly, and public research groups.

"Crime in Rhode Island" can be downloaded from the Rhode Island State Police home page at www.risp.ri.gov, by navigating to the Crime Statistics Link.

## TRAINING ACADEMY SERGEANT DEREK W. BOREK

The Training Academy is under the command of Sergeant Derek W. Borek, a twenty (20) year veteran of the Division. Sergeant Borek is assisted by Corporal Kenneth D. Jones, a seventeen (17) year veteran and Trooper Meredith L. Zenowich, a ten (10) year veteran, who are responsible for all training activities. A Firearms Training Unit was added this year consisting of Corporal Mark W. Gilson and Trooper Ronald J. Longolucco, both seventeen (17) year veterans.

The Training Academy is located at 64 Winsor Road in the Town of Foster. The Training Academy is responsible for conducting the Rhode Island State Police Recruit Instruction School, all in-service training for members of the Division, firearms training for the members the Rhode Island Department of Sheriffs, Rhode Island Capitol Police, Rhode Island State Fire Marshals, and continuing education courses in law enforcement. The Training Academy also coordinates training with the other New England State Police Administrators Conference (NESPAC) Trainers.

The Training Academy handles a variety of public service functions on behalf of the Division. These functions include conducting career awareness programs at many area high schools and colleges in Rhode Island as part of a continuing effort to attract qualified candidates for the Rhode Island State Police. They also participate in community outreach programs.

In 2014, the Training Academy held its third Citizen's Trooper Academy. The academy consisted of six (6) three (3) hour sessions with one session per week. The goal of hosting this academy was to demonstrate various components of training that Troopers are provided and to educate on the roles and responsibilities of the Rhode Island State Police.

In 2014, the Division continued its mandatory In-Service training program. The In-Service training program is designed to provide sworn members with all mandatory training courses in four (4) phases facilitated throughout the calendar year. Phase I was nine (9) hours of training consisting of Mental Illness, Stress Management, Accreditation Reporting, Taser Re-certification, and PPE Gas Mask Fit Testing, Phase II was nine (9) hours consisting of Legal Updates, Synthetic Narcotics, Bulk Currency Seizure, Texting While Driving, and Narcan Training, Phase III was twelve (12) hours consisting of DWI Re-certification and Annual Firearms Qualifications, Phase IV was eleven (11) hours consisting of Domestic Violence, EBOLA Preparation, Patrol Rifle Qualification and Night Firearms Qualification. The training academy continued an on-line training program that included Blood Borne Pathogens and the All Hazards Plan.

In 2014, Division Members were issued patrol rifles. Each Division Member issued a patrol rifle went through thirty-six (36) hours of training session that included the basic operational theory and practical application on how to reasonably, safely and effectively operate a patrol rifle.

The Training Academy also commenced a recruitment process for the proposed 2015 Rhode Island State Police Recruit Training Academy. The Training Academy completed the recruitment phase, written examination, physical agility testing, and the oral board process.

The Training Academy's goal is to ensure that the Rhode Island State Police remain at the forefront of law enforcement training in order to serve and protect the citizens of the State.

## TECHNOLOGY AND COMMUNICATION SERVICES UNIT

LIEUTENANT RICHARD J. ALTIMARI, JR.

Lieutenant Richard J. Altimari, Jr. is the officer in charge of the Division's Technology and Communication Unit. Lieutenant Altimari has been a member of the Division for twenty- four and one half (24 1/2) years and has served at each barracks, including a summer assignment on New Shoreham. Lieutenant Altimari is currently in charge of the Criminal Identification Unit, as well as the assignment of the Technology and Communications Unit.

Lieutenant Altimari serves on the following committees: Interoperable Communications Committee, the Commission on Prejudice and Bias, the Traffic Records Coordinating Council, and the E 9-1-1 Advisory Commission.

Lieutenant Altimari oversees the Rhode Island Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (RILETS) / National Crime Information Center (NCIC) Control Section, the Technical Services Unit, Management Information Systems, the Radio Services Bureau, and the Administrative Officer assigned to the Dispatch Area. Additionally, Lieutenant Altimari is responsible for all technology in the Headquarters building, including the camera system and door access system.

## RADIO SERVICES

## MR. THOMAS CROTTY DIRECTOR

#### ELECTRONICS TECHNICIAN: MR. ROBERT P. GODIN

Mr. Thomas Crotty is the Director of Radio Communications and has served with the Division for over eighteen (18) years. He is responsible for the performance of the Rhode Island State Police radio communication systems. The radio systems provide voice and data communications for the Division and are supported by thirteen (13) communication sites located throughout the state. The system also supports radio traffic for the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority, Department of Environmental Management, and the Department of Transportation Traffic Operations Center. In addition to the state agencies, the RISP radio infrastructure also supports the statewide 800 MHZ interoperable radio system (RISCON). This radio network is used by numerous cities and towns as their primary radio system, but also provides statewide interoperability for thousands of first responders. The infrastructure also supports radio systems used by the FBI, US Coast Guard, FAA, NOAA and other governmental agencies.

As the microwave and 800 Mhz radio communications systems are the lifeline of the Rhode Island State Police, it is imperative that the systems are at an optimum level of performance at all times. The staff inspects and monitors all communication sites on a regular basis to ensure that the systems are kept at the highest level of reliability. Radio Services is also responsible for the installation and repair of the fleet emergency systems that include emergency lights, radio equipment, mobile data and radar units.

Radio Services is currently involved in projects to upgrade the microwave network.

### MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS

MR. JAMES SHEA
DIRECTOR

MS. CAROL LABOSSIERE MR. RAFAEL TEJADA MR. GLENN LAWRENCE MR. RICHARD BLAINE

The Management Information Systems (MIS) Unit maintains the operation and enhancement of the Rhode Island State Police's Wide Area Network. This network encompasses the entire state, consisting of four (4) barracks, the Rhode Island State Police (RISP) Headquarters building, the RISP Training Academy, and various remote locations. The Unit manages many types of computing systems, all integrated to work towards the common goal of delivering information to Division members.

The MIS Unit spent much of the year rebuilding the security and disaster recovery infrastructure on and off the RISP campus. Priority projects are the linking of several new but important locations to the RISP network and tightening down the security of network traffic between the sites and the Internet. Also, disaster recovery for data was bolstered by a new data storage system that enhances backup and restore capabilities further enhancing the disaster recovery ability of the unit.

In its ever increasing capacity to support the Department of Public Safety, the unit eyes the future of increasing its ability to support the RISP by adding personnel and stream lining the e-mail system to state standards as set forth by the Department of Information Technology. The MIS Unit has consistently kept up its effort to improve and modernize the technology infrastructure and looks forward to keeping pace with the ever changing technology and the security challenges it brings.

## RILETS/NCIC CONTROL SECTION

#### MISS JOAN M. COLLINS SUPERVISOR

Miss Joan Marie Collins is the supervisor of the Rhode Island Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (RILETS) / Telecommunications Unit. She has served with the State Police for twenty-four (24) years, starting as a Telecommunicator in November of 1992. Miss Collins is the America's Missing: Broadcasting Emergency Response (AMBER) Alert Web Portal Administrator, Missing Senior Citizen Web Portal Administrator, and performs the work of the RILETS / National Crime Information Center (NCIC) Quality Assurance Unit.

Training is provided to all Rhode Island police departments on AMBER Alerts, Missing Senior Citizen Alerts, NCIC Validation and Compliance, and use of the NCIC, NLETS, and RILETS systems.

Several AMBER Alert awareness events were held during the year, hosted by Rhode Island State Police and with the assistance of the Computer Crimes/Internet Crimes Against Children Unit, providing Child Identification kits to parents to be used in the event their child is reported missing or abducted.

The RILETS / Telecommunications Unit operates twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week, three hundred and sixty-five (365) days a year. The Unit provides access to several databases containing information collected by criminal justice agencies that is needed in law enforcement functions including: wanted person information; missing person information; unidentified person information; stolen property information; criminal history information; information on identifiable individuals compiled in an effort to anticipate, prevent, or monitor possible criminal activity; vehicle registrations, driver's licenses and more. The fundamental information and support provided by the Unit is essential for the safety of the Troopers and other police officers.

Assistance is provided to municipal police departments, state, and federal agencies, concerning policies and procedures for the National Crime Information Center (NCIC), National Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (NLETS), and Rhode Island Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (RILETS) systems. The Unit also assists the agencies with any problems that they may encounter with the systems, including hardware or software concerns and frame relay failures. In addition, the Unit monitors and directs both incoming and outgoing interstate message traffic to ensure that they are properly formatted and directed to the correct destinations.

The Unit is responsible for maintaining affidavit and arrest warrants for the State Police, conducting intensive backgrounds through database searches, processing the monthly NCIC validations, creating, editing, and activating AMBER Alerts via the AMBER Alert web portal, creating, editing, activating Missing Senior Citizen Alerts via the Rhode Island Broadcaster's Silver Alert web portal, obtaining out-of-state criminal history information for authorized state programs, and monitoring the National Alert Warning Systems telephones and Rhode Island Emergency Management Agency radios for emergency and testing situations.

During the past calendar year, the Unit performed hundreds of thousands requests for computer checks for Division members. These checks resulted in three hundred and twenty six (326) confirmed NCIC hits and three thousand, two hundred and thirty-nine (3239) confirmed hits from the Rhode Island state files.

#### Unit Staff

Mr. Paul D. Johnson Ms. Susan E. Walsh Ms. Colleen E. Noonan Ms. Joanne Greenleaf Ms. Jesse Macera

## TECHNICAL SERVICES UNIT

## MR. WILLIAM K. GUY DIRECTOR OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS

MR. GORDON ROBERTS MR. STEPHEN FRIEDRICH

The Rhode Island State Police Technical Services Unit is comprised of a dedicated team of employees who support a variety of technical and telecommunications services providing vital data to the law enforcement community throughout the state.

At the heart of the Rhode Island State Police Technical Services Unit is the Rhode Island Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (RILETS), which provides network services and data access to law enforcement officers statewide. The RILETS network connects to seventy-two (72) criminal justice agencies within the state, providing a vital link to local, state, regional and national criminal justice data resources. Drivers' license information, motor vehicle registration information, criminal history and wanted persons checks are among some of the data elements provided by the RILETS network to the law enforcement community. The RILETS network support and help desk services are available twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week.

RILETS provides connectivity to the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) national network located in West Virginia and the NLETS (The International Justice and Public Safety) national network located in Arizona.

An important component of the RILETS network is the management of several statewide data sharing interfaces:

Crash Report Interface – The Crash Report Interface facilitates the transfer of crash report data from law enforcement agencies throughout the state to the Department of Transportation's Crash Repository over the RILETS network.

J Link Interface – The J Link Interface provides for the exchange of arrest and disposition data between the courts and all Rhode Island police agencies over the RILETS network.

Citation Interface – The Citation Interface provides for the exchange of citations and citation disposition data between law enforcement agencies and the Rhode Island Traffic Tribunal over the RILETS network.

Cross Agency Interface – The Cross Agency Interface provides for the exchange of name and vehicle data between police agencies over the RILETS network.

Department of Motor Vehicles Interface – The Department of Motor Vehicles Interface provides Rhode Island driver and vehicle data to police officers in Rhode Island and nationwide.

Criminal History Interface – The Criminal History Interface provides access to Rhode Island criminal history data, from the Rhode Island Attorney General's Office, to law enforcement agencies within Rhode Island and nationwide.

In addition to the RILETS network, the Technical Services Unit is responsible for all Rhode Island State Police internal telecommunications services. Telephone services and data circuits are managed and supported by the Technical Services Unit.

The Technical Services Unit also provides project management services for many of the technology related projects initiated by the Rhode Island State Police.

Lieutenant Richard Altimari is the Officer-in-Charge of Technology and Communications for the Rhode Island State Police. Lieutenant Altimari oversees the operation of the Technical Services Unit in addition to the Radio Services Unit and the Management Information Systems Unit.

## FLEET OFFICER/SUPPLY UNIT

LIEUTENANT THOMAS PECK, JR.

## ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPLY OFFICER: MRS. LINDA SLADER

Lieutenant Peck is a twenty-three (23) year veteran of the Division and oversees the Division's Fleet and Supply Unit. One of the functions of this Unit is to monitor and maintain the Division's Performance Appraisal Management System. All Performance Appraisals are submitted to this office annually.

The Fleet office also processes all uniform requests and handles equipment distribution and tracking. Moreover, the office ensures that the Division is properly equipped and complies with the Commission of Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) standards pertaining to equipment, vehicles, and record keeping.

As the Division Fleet Officer, Lieutenant Peck's responsibilities include ordering new vehicles, monitoring Fleet maintenance, approving major repairs, registration renewal, auto body repair, ordering tires, gas cards, completing monthly and yearly mileage reports, and the data entry of all maintenance performed. As of January 2015, the Division has three hundred and thirty vehicles assigned to the Rhode Island State Police.



The Canine Unit is currently under the Office of Special Operations, overseen by Lt. Douglas Newberg and supervised by the Canine Unit Commander, Sergeant Matthew T. Zarrella. The Canine Unit was comprised of eighteen (18) sworn members and eighteen (18) canines.

This unit has the capability of offering a wide range of services. Those services include: utility / patrol service, search and rescue, narcotics detection, explosive detection, human remains detection, electronic storage detection and accelerant detection. Two troopers are trained in Search Management.

The canine teams are utilized regularly by the Department and frequently assist federal, state and local law enforcement throughout the region.

Canine Unit members participated in an annual certification where each team successfully certified within their disciplines. The teams are certified within the standards of New England State Police Administrator's Compact and International Police Work Dog Association.

With the reallocation of resources and the retirement of one canine, the two new dogs were teamed with a return handler and a first time handler. The new teams participated in an "in-house" patrol service dog school coupled with a narcotic school for a member of the Central Falls Police Canine Unit. The school consisted of a twelve week training program that conducted throughout various venues within the state. This school was taught by a Division Master Trainer in Patrol and an additional Trainer in Patrol. Upon completion of the school, both teams were certified as a Patrol Service Dog teams, according to NESPAC standards. We also saw growth with the addition of a single purpose electronic storage device detection dog and a single purpose accelerant detection dog.

A member of the Central Falls Police Department Canine Unit participated in the Patrol Service Dog / Narcotics Detection school. At the conclusion of the school, he became successfully certified in the discipline of Narcotic Detection, according to NESPAC standards.

Canine team members from the towns of Central Falls, Narragansett, New Shoreham, North Smithfield and Smithfield also participated in our bi-monthly in-service training sessions and annual certifications. This training expands our ability to provide this much needed service throughout the State, within this highly specialized field.

In October of 2014, the Department sent two NESPAC Trainers to the International Police Work Dog Association "National Workshop" held at the Muscatatuck Urban Training Center in Butlerville, Indiana. While at the national, Corporal Carlsten attained his Master Trainer status in Search and Rescue / Human remains detection, under the International Police Work Dog Association standards.

The members of the unit, with the assistance of their canines, investigated the following; one hundred and three (103) narcotic searches with the seizures of one hundred- fifty five (155) pounds of Marijuana, four (4) kilograms of Cocaine, three-hundred and thirty grams of Heroin and two (2) kilograms of Methamphetamine. A combined total of two hundred and ten thousand, seventy-five dollars (\$210,075.00) of US Currency was also seized as a result of these investigations.

Thirty-seven (37) explosive detection searches were conducted with negative results. The explosive detection unit is responsible for providing security and reassurance to personnel attending large scale events, thus, shielding the public from possible threats.

Thirty-six (36) patrol service calls resulting in three (3) criminal apprehensions, twenty-seven (27) patrol tracks resulted in two (2) subjects located. Four (4) article / evidence recovery searches resulted in two (2) pieces of evidence related to a crime being recovered. Five (5) building and three (3) area searches were also conducted.

Six (6) missing person searches resulted in a two (2) persons found who were lost or missing on land. Two (2) searches for human remains resulted in no additional evidence being seized. One (1) water search resulted in the recovery of a decedant.

Twenty-four (24) public speaking / Canine demonstrations took place during the year.

#### Interesting Investigation

On Tuesday July 8, 2014, at approximately 7:45 AM, a member of the Canine Unit, on his way to work was flagged down by members of Cranston Police who were investigating a Breaking and Entering with Larceny, from a residence.

It was relayed that after encountering the homeowners, three (3) suspects fled from the residence and were involved in a single- vehicle rollover accident in a close proximity of the crime. Two (2) of the suspects were taken into custody at the scene of the rollover while the third suspect fled from the vehicle into the adjacent neighborhood.

Patrol members were advised of the investigation and responded to the area to assist. An exhaustive on-lead area search of the area was conducted with negative results. Upon returning to the area of the accident, a plain clothes Cranston officer advised, that he observed crushed vegetation leading to a brook along Phenix Avenue, Cranston. The canine was deployed from the point of the crushed vegetation through the thick undergrowth. The canine led Troopers to a set of discarded black gloves which were resting on top of briars. Just past the gloves was a trail of discarded jewelry and other evidence taken from the home.

A short distance later, the canine discovered the suspect lying in the underbrush with numerous items of the break surrounding him. The items included; a safe, a pillow case with assorted jewelry, as well as, personal financial documents and insurance policies from the breaking and entering. The suspect refused to comply with numerous verbal commands to surrender and the canine was instrumental in reducing any further action by the assaultive, career felon.

#### Canine Unit Personnel

Lieutenant Mark Farnum Special Operations Unit Supervisor

Sergeant Matthew T. Zarrella Canine Commander IPWDA/ NESPAC Master

Trainer (SAR/Cadaver search)

K-9 Buster-Explosive/Gun Detection/Search and Rescue

Sergeant Roger Reardon IPWDA/ NESPAC Master Trainer (Patrol/Narcotics)

K-9 Kubo, German Shepherd Dog Patrol / Explosives, Gun Detection

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Sergeant Erik Jones NESPAC Trainer (Patrol/Narcotics)

K-9 Chuck, Belgian Malinois Patrol / Narcotics detection

Corporal Scott Carlsten NESPAC / IPWDA Master Trainer (Search and Rescue and

Human Remains Detection) K-9 Odin, German Shepherd Dog

Patrol

Trooper Kevin Grace K-9 Ziko, German Shepherd Dog

Patrol / Narcotics Detection

Trooper Peter Filuminia K-9 Nico, Rottweiler

Patrol / Narcotics Detection

Detective Erik Yanyar K-9 Boris, German Shepherd Dog

Patrol / Narcotics Detection

Trooper Luke Brisson K-9 Gump, German Shepherd Dog

Patrol / Narcotics Detection

Trooper Sean McGehearty K-9 Bane, Belgian Malinois

Patrol / Narcotics Detection

Trooper Daniel Gazzola K-9 Rex, Belgian Malinois

Patrol / Explosives / Gun Detection

Trooper Charles Bergeron K-9 Zeus, Labrador Retriever mix

Search and Rescue/Human Remains Detection

Trooper Daniel O'Neil K-9 Ruby, Border Collie mix

Search and Rescue/Human Remains Detection

Detective Adam Houston K-9 Thoreau, Yellow Labrador

Electronic Storage Device Detection

Detective Stephen Vinton K-9 Nacoma, Yellow Labrador

Accelerant Detection

Trooper Sean Pasley K-9 Tao, German Shepherd Dog

Patrol / Explosives / Gun Detection

Trooper Lisa Hanley K-9 Annie, Yellow Labrador Retriever

Explosives / Gun Detection

Trooper Justin Andreozzi K-9 Riggs, German Shepherd Dog

Patrol

Trooper Damien Maddox K-9 Sam, German Shepherd Dog

Patrol/Explosives/Gun Detection

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## MARINE UNIT/DIVE TEAM

SERGEANT SIMON LIU

The Division Marine Unit is composed of eleven (11) Troopers. Five (5) of the Troopers are certified boat operators who have successfully attended a forty (40) hour advance patrol boat operator course instructed by members of the Massachusetts State Police and the United States Coast Guard. A twenty-seven (27) foot safe boat is utilized for patrol and conducting missions on Rhode Island's waterways. This vessel is capable of operating year round and in harsh weather conditions. Two smaller inflatable vessels are also used for ponds, lakes and shallow water missions.

The Division Dive Team is composed of ten (10) Troopers who are certified through the Professional Association of Dive Instructors (PADI), National Association of Underwater Instructors (NAUI), Scuba Diving International (SDI) or Emergency Response Diving International (ERDI). Dive Team responsibilities include, but are not limited to, the search and recovery of drowning victims, homicide victims, evidence recovery, and inspection of vital structures and vessels to combat the war against terrorism and narcotics trafficking.

#### 2014 Notable Achievements

During the summer of 2014, the Marine Unit provided a law enforcement presence in Narragansett Bay, Block Island Sound, and Johnsons Pond in an effort to promote safe boating environment. This was achieved by making routine safety inspections, issuing violations for unsafe operation and targeting people Boating While Intoxicated (BWI). We expect to continue providing a law enforcement presence throughout 2015.

In January 2014, the Rhode Island State Police Marine Unit took delivery of a state of the art Dive Command Vehicle, capable of supporting extended dive operations.

In 2014, the Marine Unit began enrolling members of the Marine Unit in OUPV (Operators of Uninspected Passenger Vessels)/Boat Captain License courses. It is a goal to have all members licensed as boat captains.

#### Marine Unit Members

Sergeant: Simon C. Liu

Corporal: David T. Bassignani

Troopers: Mark J. Perotti, John J. Gadrow (\*), David M. Gormly, Sean M. Crowley (\*\*), Roupen

Bastajian (\*\*), Ryan N. Mahoney (\*\*), Andrew L. Carter (\*\*), Robert Twitchell, Andrew

**Elsing** (\*\*)

(\*) Boat Operator Only

(\*\*) Diver Only

## HONOR GUARD UNIT CAPTAIN ROBERT S. WALL

The Honor Guard Unit consists of forty-seven (47) members who are trained in precision military drill and protocol. The unit is under the direction of Captain Robert S. Wall, District "A" Commander. During 2014, members of the Honor Guard represented the Division at thirty-two (32) events such as parades, funerals, and opening ceremonies. The Honor Guard Unit has established itself as an award-winning unit and continues to maintain an excellent reputation throughout New England.

#### **Unit Members**

Captain: Joseph F. Philbin

Lieutenants: Michael J. Rosa, Ann C. Assumpico, Paul S. Sikorskyj

Sergeants: Gerald M. McKinney, Michael J. McGlynn

Corporal: Darnell S. Weaver

Troopers: Kevin M. Grace, Scott L. Hartwell, Douglas S. Watters, Peter A. Filuminia,

Kristopher Lagor, Sean P. McGehearty, Daniel W. Gazzola, Michael J. Capone, Amanda L. Brezniak, William F. Reilly Jr., Franklin T. Navarro, William C. Corson, Daniel S. O'Neil, Lawens Fevrier, Nicholas J. Messinger, Sean M. Crowley, Roupen Bastajian, Adam J. Houston, Amoncio A. DaCruz, James Donnelly-Taylor, Ruth C. Hernandez, Adrian Cybowicz, Jared J. Andrews, Andrew G. Elsing, Nicholas J. Martin, James A. D'Angelo, Jason J. Muccino, Damien Maddox, Brent C. Wilks, Amy M. Jackman, Benjamin R. Sternberg, Michael A. Kane, Carlos J. Lorenzo, Brendan P. Degnan, Kyle R. Kells, Kyle S. Vinton, James J. Hudson, Seth C. Whitford, Juan M. Coronado, Kristen M. Carr

## MOTORCYCLE UNIT CAPTAIN JOSEPH F. PHILBIN

The Rhode Island State Police Motorcycle Unit is currently under the command of Captain Joseph F. Philbin. The Unit utilizes four (4) 2014 Harley Davidson FLHTP Electra Glide and two (2) 2008 Harley Davidson FLHTP Electra Glide Police Motorcycles for patrol in heavy traffic areas, special functions, and, on occasion, routine patrol when staffing levels permit. The motorcycles were also used for the following details in 2014: The Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run, Newport St. Patrick's Day Parade, Annual Aquidneck Island National Police Parade, the funeral for Pennsylvania State Police Corporal Byron Dickson, two separate escorts for President Obama, Escorts for Vice-President Biden and for the First Lady, patrols for the Bristol Fourth of July parade and for the Fourth of July on Block Island, and for the funeral of Plymouth Police Officer Maloney. The Motorcycle Unit may be used on any other occasion deemed necessary and appropriate by the Superintendent. All Motorcycle Unit members have successfully completed a highly skilled two-week police motorcycle operator's course and a three day re-certification. The Unit also added three new trained operators during 2014.

#### Motorcycle Unit Members

Lieutenants: Michael Reynolds Jr.

Sergeants: John P. Charbonneau, Simon C. Liu

Corporals: Ernest P. McKenney, Peter J. Chabot

Troopers: John Gadrow, Anthony K. Commendatore, Peter A. Filuminia, William C. Corson,

Marcin Ferenc, Shane O'Reilly

## TACTICAL TEAM SERGEANT DEREK W. BOREK

The Rhode Island State Police Tactical Team has a long established tradition of protecting the lives and property of the citizens of the State of Rhode Island. The Tactical Team is under the command of Sergeant Derek W. Borek. The Tactical Team was designed for situations where traditional police response is likely to prove insufficient.

In 2014, the Tactical Team continued to train at a high level of expertise in many areas, to include; hostage rescue, downed officer rescue, barricaded suspects, high-risk search warrants, large structure and building clearing, woodland/open area searches, canine tracks, dignitary protection, and active shooter scenarios. The Tactical Team assisted local police departments with firearms and active shooter training, and assisted Division members with in-service training dealing with firearms proficiency, patrol rifle and officer safety issues. Tactical Team members also volunteered their time with parade and public relations details. Additionally, several Tactical Team members serve as instructors/cadre throughout the year at NESPAC approved Tactical schools.

Each Tactical Team member has completed NESPAC approved training in Basic SWAT, Advanced SWAT, Basic and Advance Sniper, and Mechanical Breaching. The Tactical Team received training from Amtrak in Passenger Train Emergency Response Training. Team Leaders also continued to meet monthly with New England State Police SWAT teams to exchange training ideas. Finally, one (1) new Tactical Team member attended NESPAC Basic and Advanced Tactical Certification Schools, two (2) members attended NESPAC Breaching School and one (1) member attended NESPAC Basic Sniper School.

The Tactical Team continues to work closely with the Division Canine Unit, Crisis Negotiation Unit, and local police agencies. Additionally, State Police Tactical Team Snipers continually train and assist local police agencies.

In 2014, the Tactical Team completed one hundred and eighty (180) hours of training and was utilized for one (1) high-risk search warrant, two (2) barricaded situations and three (3) dignitary protection details.

#### Tactical Team Members

Team Commander: Sergeant Derek W. Borek

Corporals: Kenneth D. Jones, Jeffrey P L'Heureux, Gregory W. Cunningham,

David T. Bassignani, Mark W. Gilson, Kenneth M. Moriarty,

Edward L. Viera Jr., Eric M. Yelle

Troopers: Thomas E. Jaques, Thomas G. Chabot Jr., Robert J. Richardson,

Kevin K. Kojoian, Nicholas P. Rivello, Kristopher Lagor,

Shawn P. Slade, Ernest E. Adams, Robert P. Laurelli, Adam B. Kennett,

Michael Reynolds III, Sean M. Crowley, Ryan M. Santo

## COLLISION RECONSTRUCTION UNIT

CORPORAL JEFFREY P. L'HEUREUX

The Collision Reconstruction Unit provides technical analysis of all available information to determine how a collision occurred and the probable cause for its occurrence. All available facts and evidence is collected and recorded for use in determining causation factors for the possible prosecution of criminal violations and presentations in civil actions.

The Collision Reconstruction Unit is composed of six (6) Troopers. All six (6) Troopers have completed two hundred and forty (240) hours of specialized training and are certified Collision Reconstruction Specialists. Certain members are also certified for pedestrian, bicycle, and motorcycle crash investigations, as well as the use of the Leica Total Station, the Vericom 3000 Braking and Dynamometer Computer, the Visual Statement EdgeFx Forensic Diagramming Program, and the Bosch Crash Data Retrieval System.

#### 2014 Notable Achievements

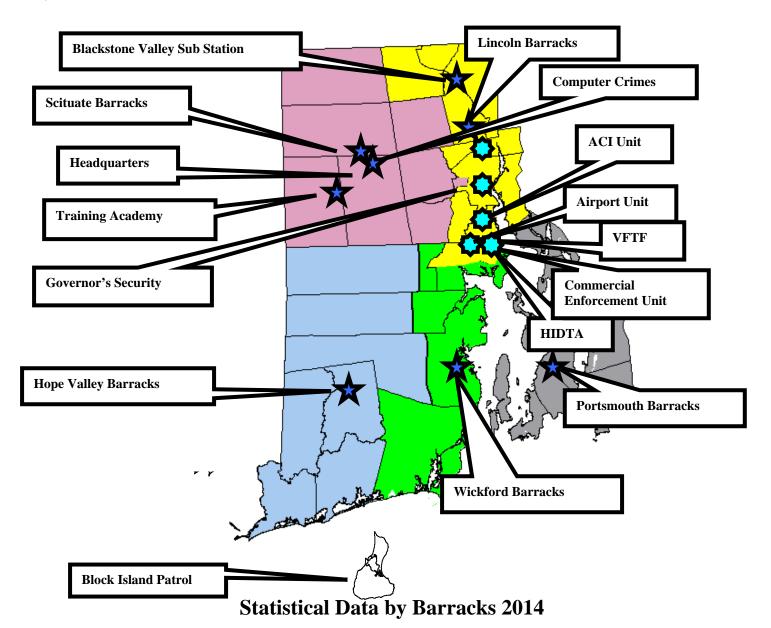
The Collision Reconstruction Unit investigated forty (40) cases in 2014. Seventeen (17) of these cases involved fatalities and fourteen (14) cases provided assistance to ten (10) different Municipal Police Departments throughout the State. A total of eleven (11) of these investigations have resulted in criminal charges, including the arrest of seven (7) subjects involved in a fatal street racing crash in July.

#### Collision Reconstruction Unit Members

Corporal: Jeffrey L'Heureux, NCOIC

Troopers: Michael Brouillette, Adam Kennett, Karlene McTaggart, Robert Hopkins, Amy Jackman

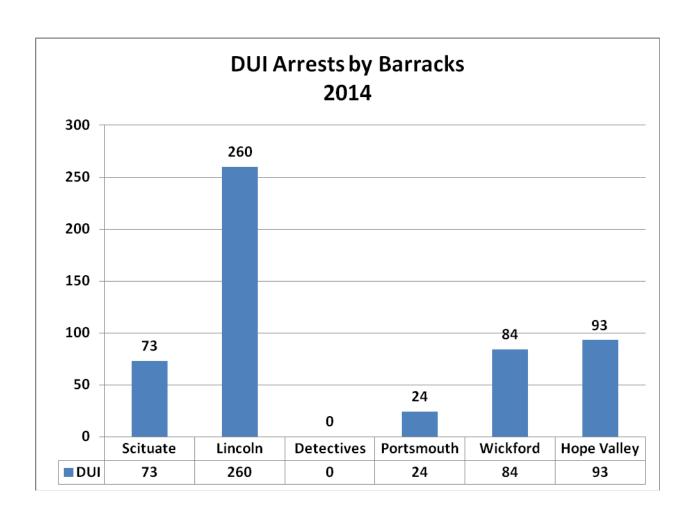
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**Barracks** Accidents Incidents Arrests Citations Scituate 763 676 1,390 11,059 3,294 Lincoln 1,204 2,305 14,008 Portsmouth 83 82 141 3,499 Wickford 739 728 910 9,868 Hope Valley 398 663 1,056 13,375 **Total** 5,277 3,353 5,802 51,809

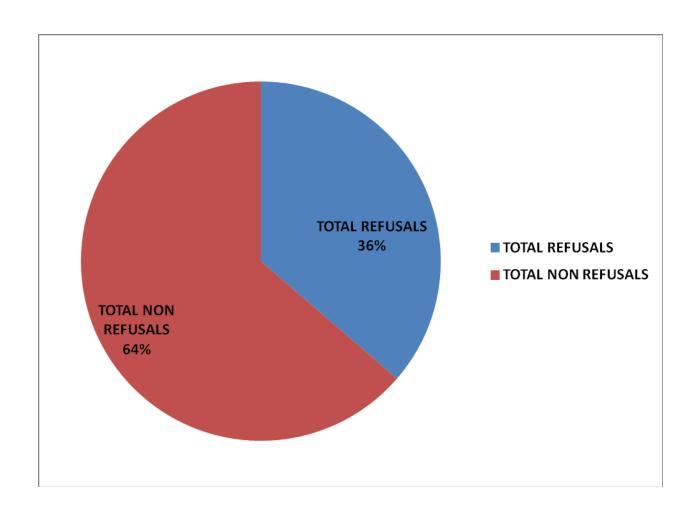
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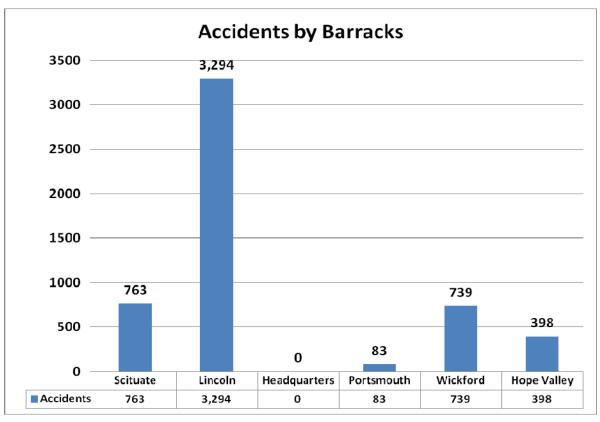
Scituate	73
Lincoln Woods	260
Detectives	0
Portsmouth	24
Wickford	84
Hope Valley	93
Total	534

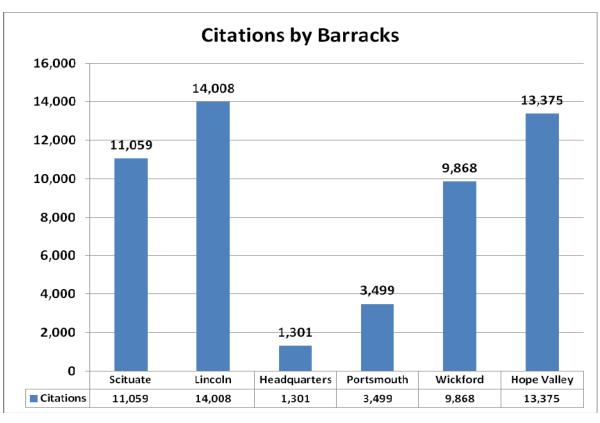


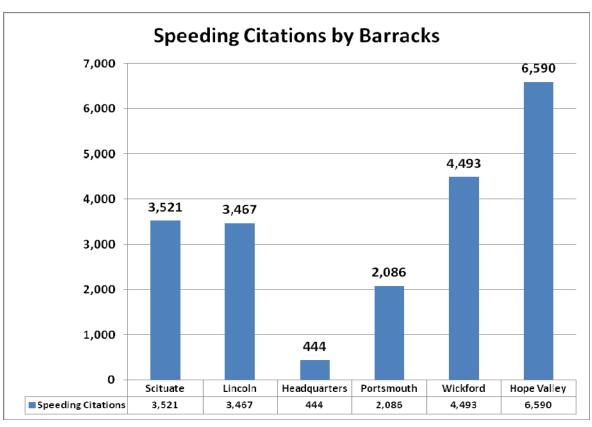
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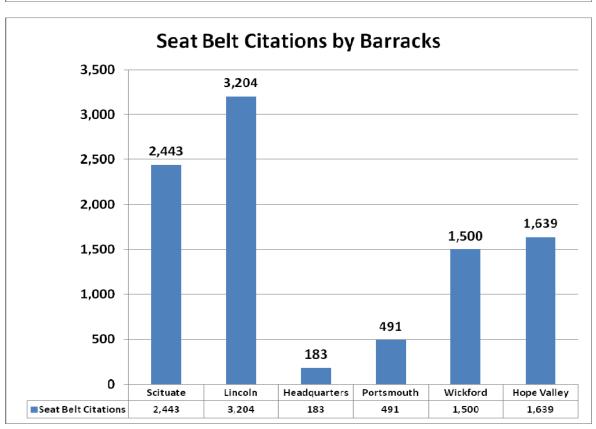
Total Refusal	194
Total Non-Refusal	340
Total	534

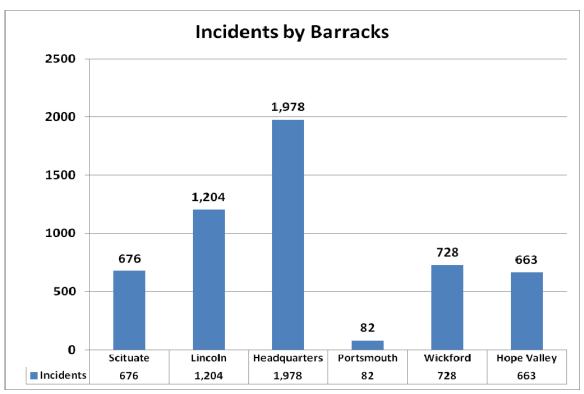


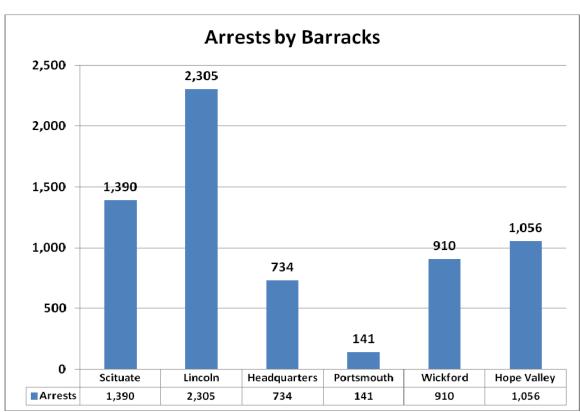




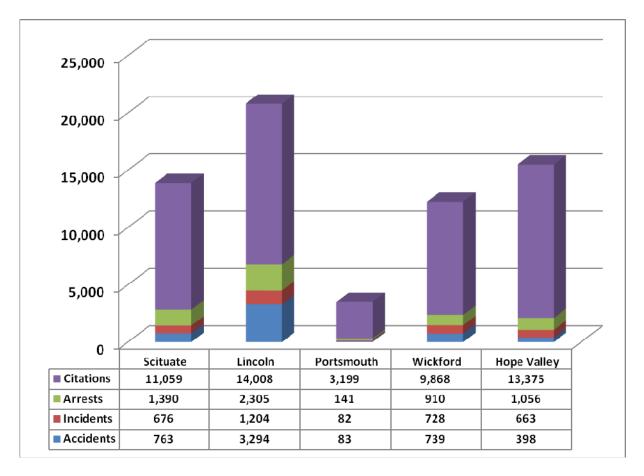




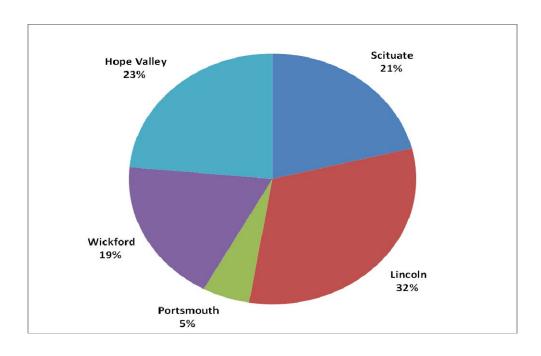




### **Workload Assessment Chart**

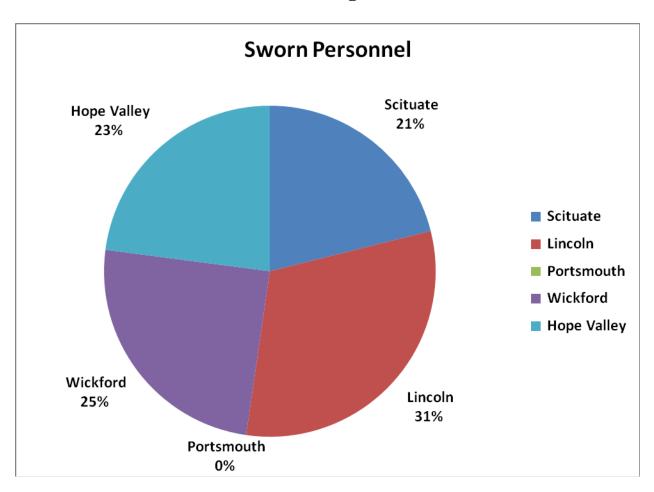


## Workload



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## Personnel Allocation Sworn Uniform / Assigned to Barracks



IBR Crime	Detectives	Scituate	Lincoln	Portsmouth	Wickford	Hope Valley	Statewide
MURDER AND NONNEGLIGENT MANSLA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
KIDNAPPING / ABDUCTION	1	1	0	0	1	0	3
FORCIBLE RAPE	8	2	0	0	1	2	13
FORCIBLE SODOMY	12	0	0	0	0	0	12
SEXUAL ASSAULT WITH AN OBJECT	5	0	0	0	0	1	6
FORCIBLE FONDLING	15	4	3	0	2	1	25
ROBBERY	1	0	0	0	3	0	4
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	5	1	6	0	3	5	20
SIMPLE ASSAULT	41	20	75	8	35	41	220
INTIMIDATION	26	10	12	0	13	6	67
ARSON	2	0	0	0	1	0	3
BURGLARY / BREAKING AND ENTERI	0	4	0	0	6	15	25
PURSE-SNATCHING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
THEFT FROM BUILDING	3	7	6	0	11	12	39
THEFT FROM COIN-OPERATED MACHINE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	2	2	15	0	8	10	37
ALL OTHER LARCENY	21	16	29	2	12	20	100
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	44	6	38	0	2	6	96
COUNTERFEITING / FORGERY	25	31	16	0	14	16	102
FALSE PRETENSES / SWINDLE / CO	162	54	60	1	35	19	331
CREDIT CARD / AUTOMATIC TELLER	16	13	18	0	22	8	77
IMPERSONATION	7	5	12	0	9	5	38
EXTORTION / BLACKMAIL	1	1	1	0	0	0	3
SHOPLIFTING	9	0	3	0	2	11	25
THEFT MOTOR VEHICLE PARTS	2	2	1	0	1	0	6

Crimes are listed by the Rhode Island State Police Barracks where they originated. The actual investigation of the crimes may involve Personnel from more than one Barracks.

IBR Crime	Detectives	Scituate	Lincoln	Portsmouth	Wickford	Hope Valley	Statewide
WELFARE FRAUD	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
WIRE FRAUD	7	3	3	0	4	0	17
EMBEZZLEMENT	27	2	2	0	4	0	35
STOLEN PROPERTY OFFENSES	11	7	28	0	6	14	66
DESTRUCTION / DAMAGE / VANDALI	5	9	27	2	12	21	76
DRUG / NARCOTIC VIOLATIONS	206	102	242	14	106	168	838
DRUG EQUIPMENT VIOLATIONS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
STATUTORY RAPE	3	0	0	0	0	0	3
PORNOGRAPHY / OBSCENE MATERIAL	187	5	0	0	0	0	192
BETTING / WAGERING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OPERATING / PROMOTING / ASSIST	33	0	0	0	0	0	33
GAMBLING EQUIPMENT VIOLATIONS	12	0	0	0	0	0	12
PROSTITUTION	8	0	0	0	0	0	8
ASSISTING OR PROMOTING PROSTIT	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
BRIBERY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WEAPON LAW VIOLATIONS	33	3	26	1	13	25	101
BAD CHECKS	11	38	19	0	32	9	109
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	4	0	15	3	8	5	35
DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE	0	100	364	32	111	113	720
FAMILY OFFENSES, NONVIOLENT	0	0	2	0	1	1	4
LIQUOR LAW VIOLATIONS	0	2	3	2	3	6	16
PEEPING TOM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RUNAWAY	1	0	0	0	0	1	2
TRESPASS OF REAL PROPERTY	0	0	0	0	8	4	12
ALL OTHER OFFENSES	319	314	454	8	191	181	1,467
TRAFFIC, TOWN BY-LAW OFFENSES	234	1,047	1,685	93	566	676	4,301
INCEST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DRUNKENNESS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	1,512	1,811	3,165	166	1,246	1,402	9,302

Driving Under the Influence numbers listed in the above chart include all DUI offenses. Each Driver may be charged with more than one DUI offense.

## Rhode Island State Police Directory

#### **Barracks**

(Non-Emergency)

Scituate Barracks	311 Danielson Pike, North Scituate Lt. Mark Farnum, Patrol Commander	(401) 334-6726
Hope Valley Barracks	54 Nooseneck Hill Road, Richmond Lt. Michael Rosa, Patrol Commander	(401) 539-2411
Lincoln Woods Barracks	1575 Old Louisquisett Pike, Lincoln Lt. Eric LaRiviere, Patrol Commander	(401) 444-1100
Portsmouth Barracks	838 East Main Road, Portsmouth	(401) 849-4444
Wickford Barracks	7875 Post Road, North Kingstown Lt. Paul Olszewski Patrol Commander	(401) 294-3371

#### Headquarters 311 Danielson Pike North Scituate, Rhode Island 02857

General Information		(401) 444-1000
Business Office	Ms. Dawn Petrone	(401) 444-1129
Charitable Gaming Unit	Ms. Pauline Malec	(401) 444-1147
Commercial Enforcement Unit	Sgt. Sean O'Hern, OIC	(401) 444-1140
Detective Bureau	Cpt. Christopher Dicomitis, OIC	(401) 444-1012
Planning, Research & Accreditation	Lt. Ann Assumpico, OIC	(401) 444-1212
Training Academy	Sgt. Derek Borek	(401) 444-1191
Uniform Crime Reporting	Mrs. Linda Fraccola	(401) 444-1156

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